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CLARENCE HATRY COMMITTED.

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE BY ACCOUNTANT.

DRAMATIC STATEMENT BY CHIEF DEFENDANT.

"ACTION WAS CLEAN."

London, Dec. 16.

Clarence Hatry, who, until the crash which rocked the London Share Market to its foundations, was regarded as one of the City's most brilliant financiers, and his three associates in alleged swindles, Edmund Daniels, company director, of Leatherhead, Albert Edward Tabor, company director, of Ashted, and John Graham Goodfellow, "Dixon," secretary and company director, were committed for trial at the Guildhall to-day.

An application for bail made by the counsel for the defendants was refused.

The charges involved a total of over £2,000,000, including over £1,350,000 in connexion with Iron Industries, Limited.

Accountant's Evidence.

The actual losses of the Hatry companies are placed at a much higher figure, but fraud is not alleged in connexion with the entire amount.

Sir Gilbert Garnsey, a partner in the world-famous firm of chartered accountants, Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Company, who has been investigating the affairs of the whole of the Hatry company since the sensational crash of two months or so back, gave evidence to-day.

He stated that the gross liabilities of the companies amounted to the enormous figure of £29,500,000, which did not include the issued share capital of £3,110,000.

Enormous Deficit.

Unsecured claims totalled £13,750,000.

He stated his opinion that there was a very small prospect of a dividend for the unsecured creditors. The deficiency, apparently, will total over £13,500,000.

In the course of his evidence, which caused something of a stir, Sir Gilbert Garnsey said that Hatry rang him up on the telephone on September 17th, and said he would very much like to see him.

Hatry's Admissions.

The four defendants visited Sir Gilbert at his office and Hatry, as the spokesman, then admitted immediately that they had been guilty of serious offences in connexion with their companies.

Sir Gilbert added that they had all given loyal assistance during the investigation of the remarkable state of affairs.

Defendants' Incomes.

Questioned regarding the total remunerations paid to the four defendants by the seven companies, the accountant said that:

Clarence Hatry had been paid £42,526 since 1925.

Daniels had received £23,575 since 1925.

Dixon had been paid £11,565 since 1925.

Between October, 1928 and September, 1929, Tabor, the fourth defendant, had received £5,065 from the seven companies.

None of Money Traced.

Answering questions by counsel for the defence, Sir Gilbert Garnsey agreed that not a penny of the moneys which formed the subject of the charges could be traced to the pockets of the defendants personally.

Reading a written statement, prior to his commitment for trial, the principal defendant Hatry said: "I am irretrievably ruined, but I shall prove that my actions were clean and creditable, and I shall take whatever punishment is in store uncomplainingly."

—*Reuter.*

ILLEGAL SEIZURE OF WORKS.

POLISH GOVERNMENT REFUSES COMPENSATION.

BRITISH DEMANDS.

London, Dec. 16.

In the House of Commons to-day, the Foreign Secretary was asked if his attention had been called to the seizure by the Polish authorities of certain works at Radom, near Warsaw, in which a prominent British company has great financial interests.

He was further asked if he was aware that, despite the fact that the Polish Government had admitted that the seizure of the works was wholly unjustified and illegal, the Polish Government had refused any compensation, and that unless this decision were altered the British company in question must apply for the sequestration of the works, involving the closing of the works, and also involving serious loss of employment to British workmen.

Mr. Henderson replied that he was aware of the circumstances of this case and had recently despatched urgent telegraphic instructions to the British Ambassador at Warsaw, whose reply had since been received and communicated to the British company in question.

Mr. Henderson said he had also instructed the Ambassador, by a despatch, to present to the Polish Government the company's claim in respect of losses incurred by them. The future policy of the British company could only be decided by the company themselves.

—*British Wireless.*

THE ANGLO-SOVIET RAPPROCHEMENT.

DELAY IN PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS.

NO REASON YET GIVEN.

London, Dec. 16.

The newly appointed Russian Ambassador to London, M. Sokolnikoff, was received at the Foreign Office to-day by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, their conversation lasting for over an hour.

It is expected that M. Sokolnikoff will be received by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales in a few days for the presentation of his credentials from the Soviet Government.

The matter of the resumption of diplomatic relations with the Soviet was again raised in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. Arthur Henderson was questioned regarding an article in the Russian newspaper *Pravda*, forecasting increased agitation among British miners in "preparation for the battle of April."

Mr. Henderson said the article was not such as to call for the notice of His Majesty's Government.

Asked the reason for the delay in the presentation of M. Sokolnikoff's credentials, Mr. Henderson said that was not a matter resting with a member of the Government. He added that the delay was due to the fact that the Dominions had not sanctioned it. Mr. Henderson replied: "Oh no." —*Reuter and British Wireless.*

CHINA'S MINISTER TO ENGLAND.

TO BE RECEIVED BY THE KING & QUEEN.

London, Dec. 16.

The China Association this afternoon welcomed Dr. Alfred Sze, the Chinese Minister, and his wife, who are to be received by Their Majesties the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace on Thursday. —*Reuter.*

SOVIET INTRIGUE IN MONGOLIA.

INCITING POPULATION TO REBELLION.

Mukden, Dec. 17.

Reports from Hailar indicate that the Soviet Government is inciting the Young Mongols to declare independence in the Barga district. —*Reuter.*

LABOUR'S STICKY WICKET.

DISMAL PREDICTIONS IN LONDON.

CONSERVATIVES AND COAL MINES BILL.

ENTICING AMENDMENT

London, Dec. 16.

"Without definite steps to improve the outlook of British industry, the current tendency to increase taxation at the behest of sentimental theorists would lead the country into bankruptcy."

This was the dismal prediction of Lord Melchett, formerly Sir Alfred Mond, a leading Liberal, who has played a leading part in improving the relations between employers and employed, in the course of an address delivered at the London Chamber of Commerce to-day.

Mr. Churchill's Little Joke.

His views were endorsed by Mr. Winston Churchill, the former Chancellor of the Exchequer, who speaking simultaneously at a Unionist gathering in London, declared that far from curing unemployment, every step the Government had taken had tended to increase the number of able-bodied paupers.

The Labour Government, he declared, was seeking to transform the country into a vast soup kitchen.

Mr. Churchill told his audience that he intended increasingly to draw attention to the grave impending developments in Egypt which ultimately, perhaps in the not distant future, would lead to a serious effusion of blood.

He added that the same proposals which were enjoining us out of Egypt are at work in India on a far larger scale.

"Dole" Bill Passed.

Meanwhile, in the House of Commons, the third reading of the Unemployment Insurance Bill has been passed, in spite of strong Conservative opposition.

The Tories moved an amendment for the rejection of the Bill on the ground that it threw too heavy a burden on the Exchequer and was calculated to result in a Budget deficit of at least £2,000,000.

The Conservative amendment was defeated by 273 votes to 199 votes before the third reading was passed.

Coal Bill Tussle.

The next severe tussle between the Government and the Opposition will commence to-morrow when the Government's Coal Mines Bill will be debated. The debate will continue on Tuesday and it is expected that the Bill will receive a second reading.

A Liberal amendment protests against the failure of the Bill to hasten rationalisation of the coal industry, but welcomes the establishment of a National Wages Board.

Conservative Amendment.

The Conservative amendment, which has precedence, however, has been tabled in a form which is designed to give the Liberals a chance of joining the Conservatives in the division lobby.

It will be moved by Sir Philip Cunliffe Liston, the former President of the Board of Trade, to-morrow. It does not state any reasons for rejection of the Bill, but merely moves "that the Bill be read a second time this day six months hence."

Bait to Liberals.

In this form, it is open for the Liberals to join the Conservatives, though hitherto it has been considered most probable that the Liberals will abstain from a vote in support of the Conservatives. —*Reuter and British Wireless.*

London, Dec. 16.

Four prominent coal-owners, representing four Scottish districts, have issued a statement opposing the Coal Mines Bill. —*Reuter.*

U.S. INCOME TAX.

Washington, Dec. 16.

President Hoover has signed the income tax reduction bill. —*Reuter's American Service.*

CRIME THREAT TO SHANGHAI.

LAWLESS TROOPS DISBANDED AT JESSFIELD.

INVADE SETTLEMENT.

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

The Municipal Police are understood to be keenly apprehensive, with very good reason, regarding the possible consequences of the action of the Garrison Commander of Greater Shanghai, in ordering the disbandment of a large number of troops.

These have been disbanded at Jessfield and paid off with a few dollars as compensation, and the police fear that they will embark on a career of crime when their resources are exhausted.

It is definitely known, as a matter of fact, that the disbanded soldiers belong to a mutinous regiment with a very bad record, and that the demobilisation is due to the determination of the Nanking leaders.

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL SCHEME.

Chinese Plan To Fill In Whangpoo River.

AND MAKE A NEW ONE.

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

The Harbour Bureau of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai is reliably reported to be sponsoring a grandiose scheme for filling in the Whangpoo River and opening a new river which will be made available to foreign vessels. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

LONG DISTANCE FLIER GOING WELL.

to have no troops in arms in the Nanking or Shanghai regions that cannot be absolutely trusted to support the Government.

It is feared that an outbreak of violent crimes will result from the action. Already many of the soldiers have entered the International Settlement. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

FRENCH WARSHIP GETS INTO TOUCH.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 16.

The wireless station at Pernambuco has picked up a message from a French warship which was in communication with the South Atlantic fliers, M. Challes and Colonel Borges, at 8.30 o'clock this morning when all was well. —*Reuter.*

Paris, Dec. 16.

Captains Le Brix and Rossi hopped off from the Le Bourget aerodrome at noon to-day for Benghazi, en route to Saigon, whither the airman Lassalle is also flying. —*Havas.*

Viry Chateau, Dec. 16.

A wireless message from Lebriz and Rossi who are flying to Saigon, states that they had passed over St. Raphael.

The wireless equipment of their machine subsequently broke down, but the plane is reported to be approaching Bizerta, Tunis. —*Reuter.*

STRANGE STOPPAGE OF AIR LINE.

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

Considerable surprise was caused in Shanghai yesterday by the sudden and mysterious suspension of the new air mail service between Hankow and Shanghai.

The stoppage was certainly not due altogether to the weather, but arose, it is believed, through certain political difficulties, following the resignation of Mr. Sun Fo as head of the National Aviation Corporation.

The service was, however, resumed this morning and it is believed that an adjustment has been effected with the Ministry of Communications. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

POLITICAL DIFFERENCES THOUGHT RESPONSIBLE.

London, Dec. 16.

Two interesting London clashes are on the card. The Arsenal meet Chelsea, and Charlton Athletic are opposed to Queen's Park Rangers. Seven matches will be played in London altogether, including very interesting matches, Spurs and Manchester City and Corinthians v. Millwall.

All the Welsh clubs with the exception of Cardiff are called upon to travel, while Cardiff have to entertain their formidable neighbours of the First Division, Everton.

Local "Derbies" will be played at Bury, Blackpool and Barnsley.

League Football.

London, Dec. 16.

At Sheffield today, in a postponed First Division match, the United defeated the Arsenal by four goals to one. —*Reuter.*

Li Mee, a widow, aged 41, of Queen's Road Central, reports that about 7.30 p.m. yesterday, she was walking along Queen's Road when a man snatched her handbag from her, containing money and a gold chain to the total value of \$124.

THIRD ROUND OF F. A. CUP.

PREMIER CLUBS IN FOR FIRST TIME.

SECOND DIVISION ENTIRELY OUT OF LUCK.

BOLTON DRAWN AWAY.

London, Dec. 16.

The draw for the Third Round Proper of the Football Association Cup Competition was made to-day, resulting as follows:

Scunthorpe or Rotherham v. Notts Forest.

Charlton A. v. Q. P. Rangers.

Chesterfield v. Middlesbrough.

Wrexham v. West Brom.

Birmingham v. Bolton Wanderers.

Corinthians v. Millwall.

Coventry v. Sunderland.

Arsenal v. Chelsea.

West Ham v. Notts County.

Tottenham H. v. Manchester C.

Wednesday v. Burnley.

Derby County v. Bristol City.

Walsall v. Swansea.

Fulham v. Carnarvon or Bournemouth.

Brighton v. Grimsby.

Blackburn v. Northampton.

Aston Villa v. Reading.

Bradford C. v. Southampton.

Bury v. Huddersfield.

Leeds United v. Cry. Palace.

Liverpool v. Cardiff.

Blackpool v. Stockport.

Portsmouth v. Preston N.E.

Clapton O. v. Bristol Rovers.

Manchester U. v. Swindon T.

Barnsley v. Bradford.

Newcastle v. York City.

Doncaster v. Stoke City.

Sheffield U. v. Leicester C.

Watford or Plymouth v. Hull City.

Cardiff v. Everton.

Oldham v. Wolves.

Matches to be played on January 11th. —*Reuter.*

The Luck of the Draw.

The luck of the draw has been absolutely against the Second Division. Of the twenty-two clubs coming into the competition for the first time, only seven have had the fortune to be drawn at home, these including the present league leaders, Blackpool and Oldham Athletic. Both Notts teams and both Bristol teams are among the visitors.

The First Division has had better luck. Thirteen clubs will play before their own supporters—both the Sheffield clubs being thus favoured, while four of the remainder are away to teams of the Third Division. The Wednesday are at home to Burnley, Sheffield United play Leicester City, and Birmingham meet the holders of the Cup, Bolton Wanderers. It seems probable that the Cup-holders will go out in the first round this season. The other finalists of last season, Portsmouth, are at home to Preston North End.

Earlier Round Survivals.

Of the seventeen teams which have or will have struggled through the previous rounds, no fewer than eleven have had the luck to be drawn at home.

The Third Division (South) has six home and six away games. The Northern Section has five home and two away.

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PONY CONTRACTS GLANDERS.

JOCKEY CLUB STABLES NOW IN QUARANTINE.

NO EPIDEMIC FEAR.

Owing to the discovery of a pony suffering from glanders in the Hongkong Jockey Club's stables over the week-end, the stables have been placed in quarantine pending the examination of the animals for any further cases.

The pony concerned was the property of Mr. C. B. Brown, secretary of the Jockey Club, and of his partners in the firm of Linstead and Davis. Immediately the disease was diagnosed by a veterinary surgeon, the animal was destroyed.

Glanders is regarded as a serious complaint in the veterinary world. Its symptoms are frothing at the mouth and nose of the animal, and it is extremely infectious. To ascertain whether an animal is suffering from glanders what is known as the Mallein Test is applied, and the whole of the ponies in the Jockey Club stables will receive this test before the quarantine ban is lifted.

In certain rare cases the disease can be transferred from an animal to a human being, while it is definitely known that glanders can be given to an animal by a human agency.

For the present, we understand, there is no serious danger of an epidemic at the stables, but it is pointed out that every precaution must be taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

BRITISH POLICY IN EGYPT.

PROPOSALS NOT REGARDED AS DRAFT TREATY.

TO BE NEGOTIATED.

London, Dec. 16.

The Foreign Secretary was asked in the House of Commons to-day whether he had received any communication from the Egyptian Government regarding the proposed draft treaty submitted by the British Government.

Mr. Arthur Henderson replied, "No," and he did not expect to receive any further communications on this subject until after the Egyptian elections and the restoration of the Parliamentary regime.

Mr. Henderson was asked whether he agreed with the statement made by a member of the Government in the House of Lords that these proposals were not to be considered as a draft treaty but merely as an outline of proposals.

The Foreign Secretary replied that the proposals never were intended as a draft treaty. They had not been initiated. They were merely proposals to be submitted, to be negotiated subsequently by any Government elected by the Egyptian people. —*British Wireless.*

LORD CECIL AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

SERVING IN VOLUNTARY CAPACITY.

London, Dec. 16.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, stated in the House of Commons to-day that Lord Cecil was "serving at the Foreign Office in a voluntary capacity."

Government circles stated that there is not the least likelihood of Lord Cecil joining the Labour Party. —*Reuter.*

LINER DAMAGED IN RECENT GALES.

DELAY IN SAILING OF LEVIATHAN.

London, Dec. 16.

The sailing of the liner *Leviathan* from Southampton for New York was postponed from to-day until to-morrow for repairs to a crack in the hull affecting three plates. The crack is attributed to the recent heavy weather. —*British Wireless.*

TROOPS FIRE ON H.M.S. SEAMEW.

SEAMAN SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.

KWANGSI REBELS DISCLOSED AS CULPRITS.

FIRE IS RETURNED.

The fact that H.M.S. Seamew has been fired on by Chinese troops whilst she was on patrol duty in the West River is revealed in a message from our Canton correspondent, to hand this morning.

One of the bluejackets aboard was slightly wounded, and the Seamew returned the fire, with what effect is not stated.

Investigation of the incident subsequently undertaken, says our correspondent, shows that the troops which fired at the gunboat were Kwangsi rebels, who have recently suffered defeat at the hands of the Cantonese forces.

Our correspondent further reports that there was another encounter between the Kwangsi and Ironside rebels and the Cantonese defenders on Saturday, which for some time gave rise to considerable anxiety.

Advance Repelled.

It was suddenly learned that Lupao was in the hands of the Kwangsi troops under General Wong Shao-hung, and that, combining with the Ironsides, they crossed the Bamboo River and were advancing towards Canton.

Lupao, which is only about 25 miles from Canton, was the place where the Kwangsi rebels met their defeat last May when they tried to attack Canton.

On this occasion the rebel forces advanced across the river and were proceeding near Dai Tong when the Cantonese under General Chiang Kwong-nai suddenly launched a very heavy counter-attack and, with the assistance of the aeroplanes who were bombing the rebels, they drove the enemy back across the river in disorder and recaptured Lupao.

Another version of the battle states that General Chiang Kwang-nai's troops purposely allowed the rebels to advance almost without opposition, meanwhile preparing an ambush for them near Dai Tong. If this version is correct, it certainly proved a very successful piece of strategy.

General Ho Departs.

General Ho Ying-ching, the Commander-in-Chief of all the Nationalist forces engaged in suppressing the Kwangsi and Ironside rebellion, left Canton yesterday afternoon on board a gunboat for Hongkong and will be proceeding to Shanghai immediately, en route for Nanking.

A large crowd of officials gathered at the Government Wharf at the end of the Wing Hon Maloo to bid farewell to General Ho.

It will be remembered that General Ho Ying-ching recently arrived from Nanking to take over command of the campaign from General Chan Chai-tong, the Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese forces. He brought from the North with him some 40,000 men of the 6th and 8th Divisions. Now that he is returning to Nanking, it is presumed General Chan Chai-tong will once more be in command here.

Welcome to Victors.

General Chan Chai-tong himself has been up in the fighting area for some time, but returned to Canton on Saturday, arriving at the Wang Sha Railway terminus of the Yue Han Railway accompanied by General Chiang Kwang-nai who was quite fresh from his victory over the rebels at Lupao.

The two Generals were given a fousing reception in the streets of Canton, large numbers of officials and representatives of various guilds and societies being present to welcome them.

It has been notified that Martial Law has been raised from the city. Everything here remains quiet, but the motor traffic has not yet returned to the streets and it is still impossible to secure a public hire car or an omnibus.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS



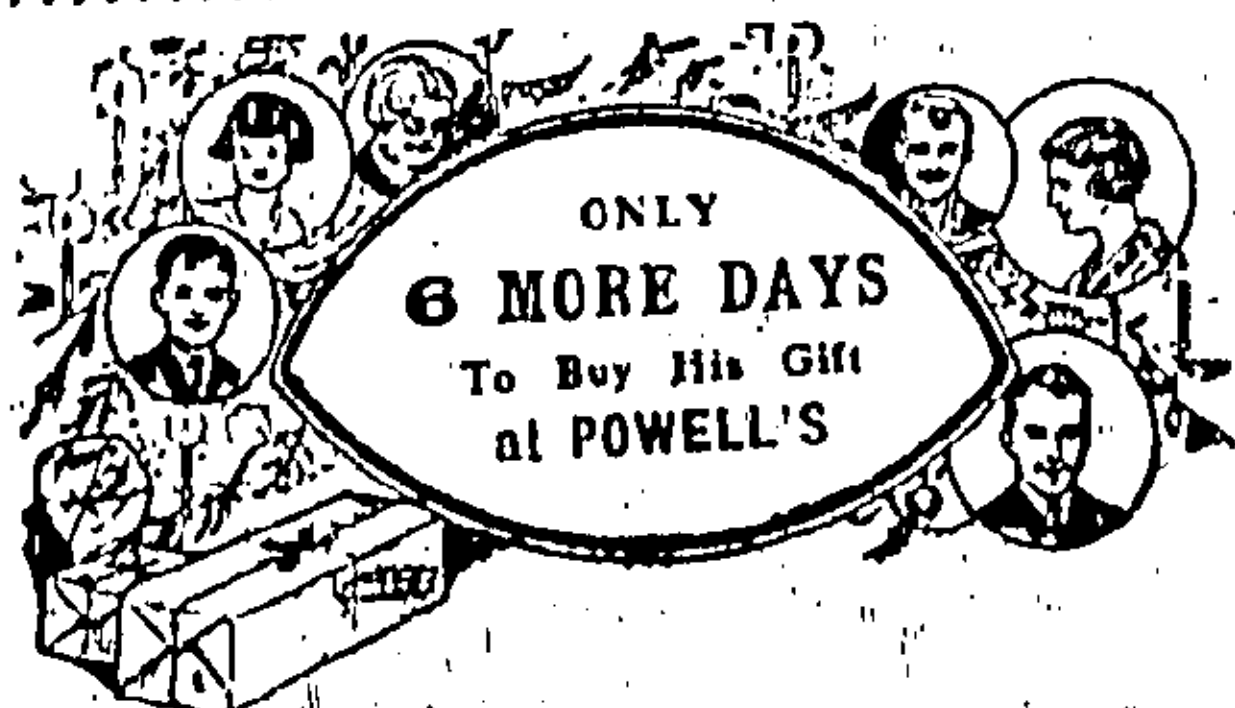
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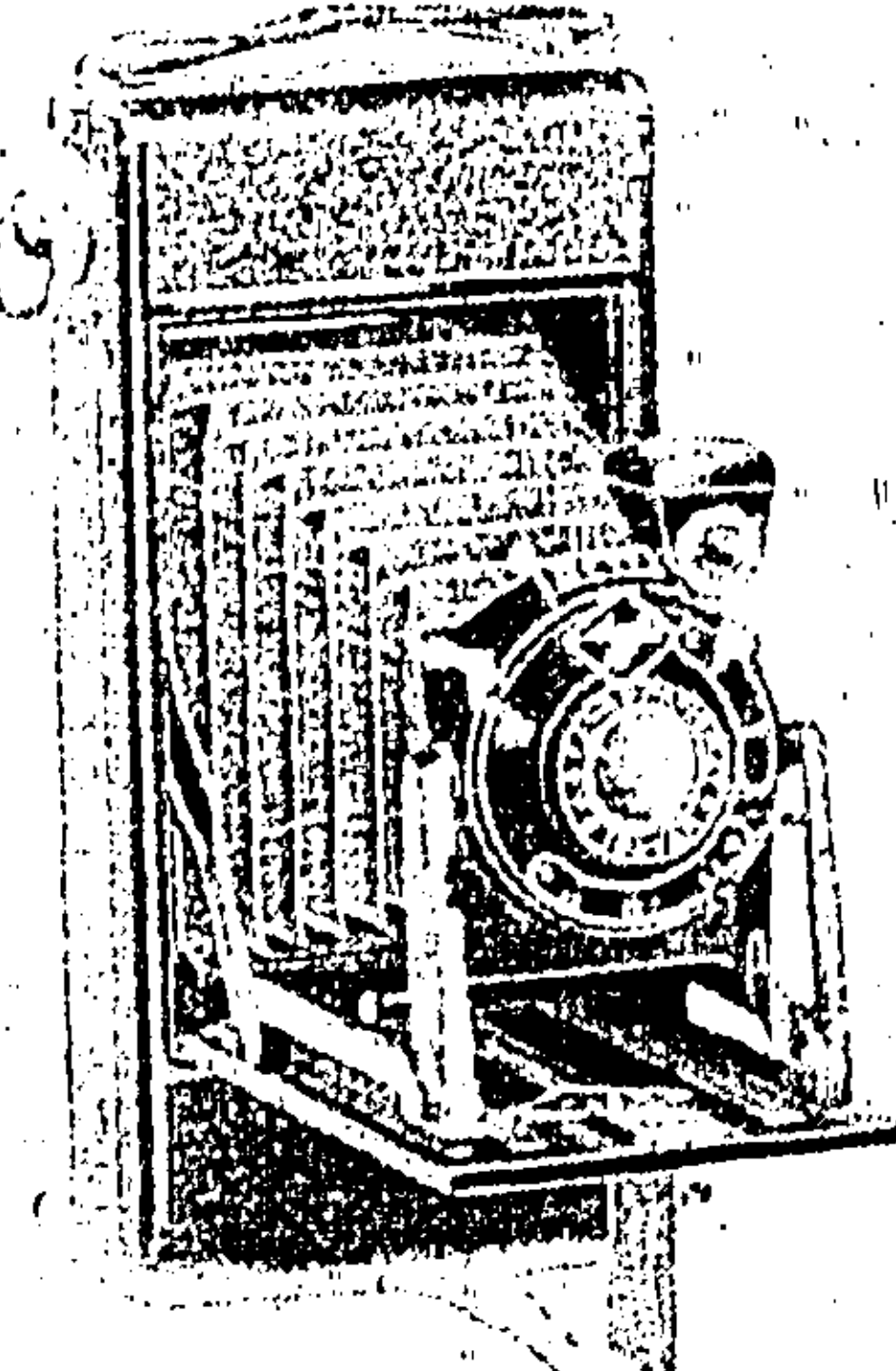


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BREWER CASE CONTINUED.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION OF BANK'S BOOKS.

THE LOAN QUESTION.

Mr. Hampden Ross, the account-
ant commissioned to investigate
the books of the Instone Banking
Corporation, concluded his testi-
mony on the resumption of the
Brewer case before Mr. A. W. G. H.
Grantham at the Central Magis-
tracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. S. Hampden Ross, the
Liquidator, continued his evidence
for the prosecution in the
Instone Banking Corporation case,
which was resumed before Mr.
A. W. G. H. Grantham yesterday
afternoon, when he stated that the
Collateral Security Loans, the
Mortgage and Long Term Loans,
Stocks, Shares, etc., and the un-
called capital, the total amount of
which was \$2,603,147.66, shown
on the printed balance sheet as as-
sets of the Corporation could not
be recognised as assets, as they
had never existed.

Replying to Mr. Somerset Fitz-
roy, the Public Prosecutor, the
witness said that 90% of the
\$1,420,950 stated in the balance
sheet to be uncalled capital, had
never been allocated.

Mr. Fitzroy:—As an experienced
auditor, would you have passed
that balance sheet with the amount
termed "uncalled capital" as an
asset?—No, I would certainly not.
It should never have been in-
cluded?—No.

The statement that it was an
asset is absolutely false?—Yes.
Mr. Ross added that in Novem-
ber, 1927, \$963,000 was transferred
from the Capital Account to the
Allotment and Suspense Account,
but in spite of this it was in-
cluded in the Capital account. Cer-
tain application forms had been
filled in by various persons on
dates in July, August and Septem-
ber, 1927, for the total amount of
\$1,133,000 and in November, they
were definitely regarded as doubt-
ful and were transferred to the
Allotment and Suspense account.
The largest applicant was a person
named Kwang Hoi-tin, who had
\$550,000 worth, and the books
showed that certain of his shares
were forfeited in April, 1928.
Despite this fact, they were still
included as an asset in the Share
Capital account, whereas, actually
they were not asset. They never
were an asset, and it must have
been known by those concerned
that no money was likely to be
realised.

No Collateral Security.

Dealing with the Collateral
Security Loans (short term and at
call) item which was shown on
the balance sheet at \$343,630, Mr.
Ross said that it was no collateral
security at all. In fact he could
not find any. In inspecting the
books, he found several applica-
tion forms and promissory notes
amounting to \$205,500, which, so
far as he could see, had never been
paid out. According to the books,
these should have amounted to
\$761,000, which included \$432,000
from Mrs. Brewer. He could,
however, find no collateral securi-
ty and it was an absolute false
statement to say that there was
any such security. As an auditor
he would never have allowed such
a thing to appear in a balance
sheet. He would have asked them
to put things right. He would
have regarded them as unsecured
loans, and insisted that they were
put as such.

Mr. Fitzroy pointed out that it
was stated the Company lent \$761-
000. How much money would the
Company have up to the time these
loans were made?

Mr. Ross replied that the bulk
of the loans were made on June
10 and the last one on July 15.
During the whole of that period
the Company never had the cash
to make the loans. The balance
of cash in hand at the time was
\$9,330, and during June and July
they received various amounts of
cash to a rough total of \$80,000,
so that they never had the cash in
hand to make the loans to the
shareholders. It was a physical
impossibility.

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Not An Asset.

Turning to the Mortgage and
Long Term Loans, which were
stated to be \$266,630, the witness
said he could see no mortgage held
by the bank, and if there were
none, the statement made in the
balance sheet was absolutely
false. There was an amount shown
as owing from the Hongkong
branch, but it was not a mortgage
loan, because it did not exist. It
was a cross-entry with the Hong-
kong branch. The \$260,000 ap-
peared in the Head Office books
and as a cross-entry item in the
Hongkong books. That could be
no means be an asset, because it
never existed.

The witness was then taken to
the Stocks, Shares and other In-
vestments item, which was marked
at \$484,831.80, which he said was
made up by 415 shares of \$1,000
shares of the Instone Banking Cor-
poration and the purchase price of
the goodwill in a bond selling,
which amounted to \$69,793.60.

Mr. Fitzroy:—Can "good-will"
be described as stocks, shares and
investments?—No. It fails to dis-
close all material information and
was quite wrong to appear there.
Questioned with regard to the
item showing a block of
4,800 shares originally allotted to
Mrs. Brewer and subsequently
shown in the books as having been
acquired by the Instone Trading
Company, witness said that he
could not find any information in
the books as to the value of these
shares. They would be worth no

thing assuming that the only
shares possessed by the Trading
Company were the shares of the
Instone Banking Corporation.
The Balance Sheet shows that the
Instone Banking Corporation had
no assets at all. When I said no
assets, I should have said that the
assets of the Instone Banking
Corporation were such that they
were just able to pay their liabil-
ties.

Mr. Fitzroy: What do you
mean by "paying their liabilities?"
—Their assets were not more than
sufficient to pay their liabilities.

Continuing, witness said that
Loans, Mortgages and Invest-
ments as shown on the Balance
Sheet were obviously worth prac-
tically nothing, as the Directors
must have known. Their bank
premises in Hongkong were mort-
gaged. It followed that with the
shares of the Instone Banking
Corporation as its only asset, the
Instone Trading Company was
worth nothing.

Witness went on to say that a
further examination of the books
showed that the 4,800 shares were
originally allotted to Mrs. Brewer
on June 21, 1927. Payment of
\$48,000 was purported to have
been made, but this was only a
cross-entry against her bond-sell-
ing goodwill, refunded to the
Bank by Mrs. Brewer. On June
28, Mrs. Brewer had a "loan" of
\$432,000 and that evening up
value of the shares allotted to her
and showed them to have been
fully paid up. Subsequently the
shares were transferred to the

Instone Trading Company for
\$415,000.

Witness was questioned next
with regard to the item Customer
Deposits, and he said that item
was a false one, being overstated
to the extent of \$260,000 in the
Statutory Report.

Mr. Ross Cross-examined.

Mr. E. Davidson then rose to
cross-examine for the defence.
"Mr. Ross," he said, "I am not
going to quarrel with you on the
subject of accounts. I am pre-
pared to accept your views as to
the proper way of accounting. You
appreciate that in dealing with
this report we are not considering
it is a correct account from the
accountant's viewpoint. The ques-
tion is whether it was a perjured
report with which Mr. Brewer is
charged. You are, I understand,
the principal witness for the pro-
secution? You are called to bear
the main burden of proof of these
charges? In your own point of
view, where a Company's shares
are allotted, the Company in prac-
tice does not receive any cash at all,
do they? I am taking the literal
meaning of "cash." In effect,
cash is never used, in the strict
sense of the term, and what is
done in practice is that a cheque
is paid by the shareholder and that
goes into the Company's banking
account?"

Witness:—Yes.
It is therefore a matter of
opinion as to what constitutes
payment of cash. That must be
so, isn't it?—Yes.

It is not a question here whether
the Instone Bank is properly con-
ducted, or whether it is a sound,
substantial concern. The ques-
tion is whether they had adopted
rightly or wrongly, this particular
method of inviting shareholders:
A call was made by the Bank
which was not paid, except in the
books. Money was lent to the
shareholders, and in exchange for
one of these documents, I am sug-
gesting the actual process was
this: The shareholder goes to the
Bank and says: "I want to pay
so much in advance of call, in ad-
vance of shares. The Company
says 'We don't want it now, but
we will take it and lend it back.'"
That, I put to you, was the trans-
action as shown in the books?—
No. I cannot agree that they paid
money and were lent it back.
I ask you to say that the matter
was treated in the books as if that
had been done. That was done,
was it not?—Yes, that is the idea.
And the result was, that instead
of having a right to make a call
on the shares, on their share-
holders, the Bank got a definite
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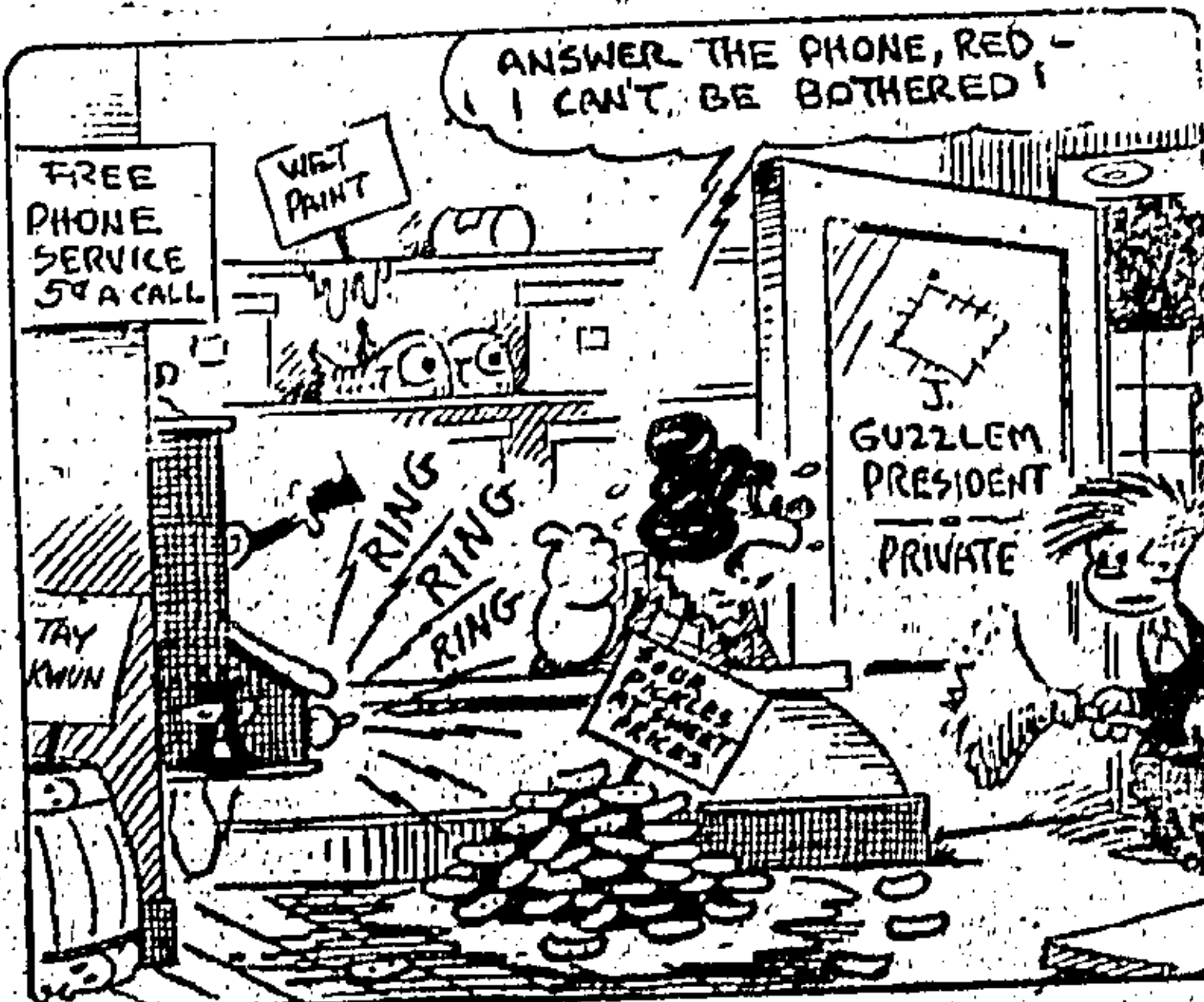
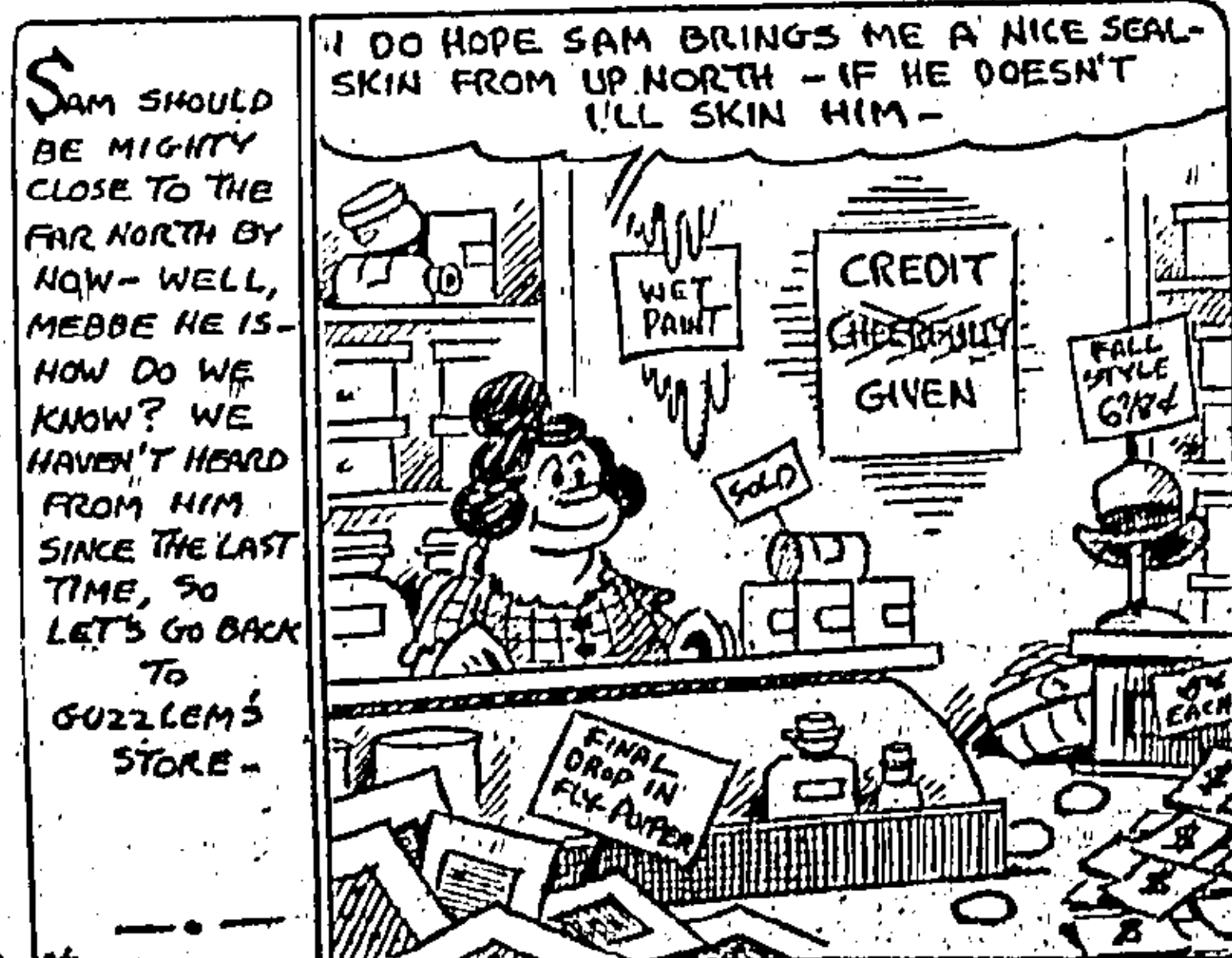
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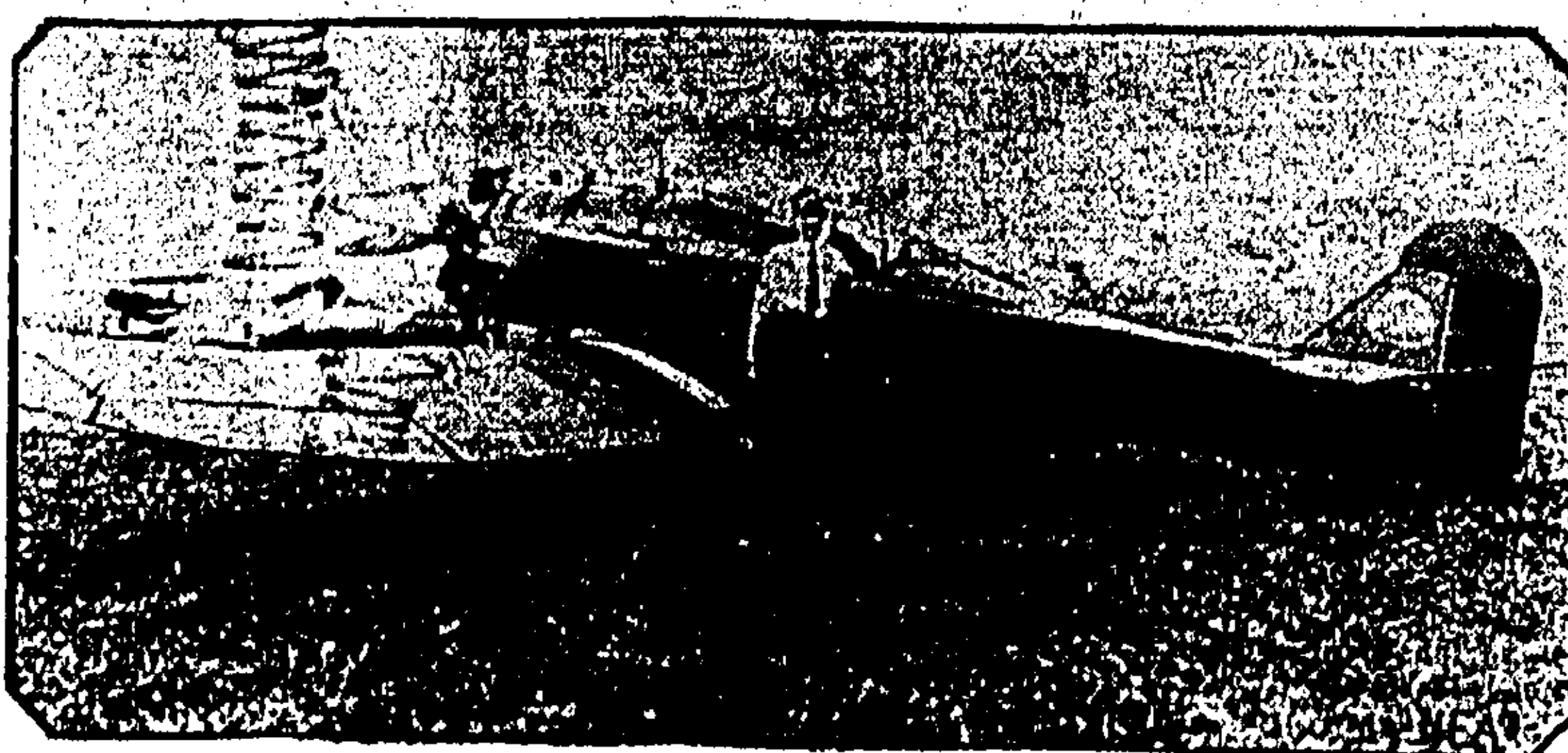
A large cake lit with 10 candles and a procession of representatives of the 54 member countries in national costume represented the League of Nations in the recent Lord Mayor's Show. (Times copyright).



A photograph taken during the Armistice Day service at the Cenotaph. On the right can be seen the Prince of Wales with the Duke of York, the Duke of Gloucester, and Prince Arthur of Connaught. Facing the camera is the Prime Minister, with Mr. Baldwin on his left and Mr. Lloyd George on his right. (Times copyright).



Particular interest during the Lord Mayor's Show was taken in the 12 fisher-wives from the Firth of Forth, countrywomen of the new Lady Mayoress, who are seen on our picture in the Lord Mayor's procession. (Times copyright).



The tiny low-winged monoplane in which Urban Dittman, the American cowboy aviator met disaster in his recent attempt to fly the Atlantic. The machine carried sufficient fuel for 25 hours only.



Photo taken after the recent wedding in Shanghai of Miss Hyacinthe Eveline Portal, daughter of Brig-General Bertram P. Portal, C.B., D.S.O. and the Hon. Mrs. Portal, and Mr. Malcolm A. A. Mackintosh, the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Mackintosh, of Drumalin, Inverness.



A close-up of the American cowboy-aviator, Urban Dittman, who lost his life recently in a courageous attempt to fly the Atlantic in a light machine.



The model of the fourth Mary Rose was recently placed in the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas, Portsmouth as a memorial to seamen. It was dedicated by the Bishop of Portsmouth and the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Lichfield, the descendant of Sir John Kempthorne, the commander of the fourth Mary Rose. (Times copyright).



Our picture taken at the Portsmouth ceremony shows Lord Jellicoe leaving the church with Sir Roger Keyes (Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth) who placed the memorial ship in position. (Times copyright).



Above are M. Leon Challe and Col. Larre Borges of Uruguay, who started on Sunday on a nonstop flight from Seville to Monte Video, in the Breguet plane shown below.



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His Excellency the Governor has intimated his willingness to preside at the meeting, at which a resolution for the formation of the Club will be moved.

All those who propose to join the Club, either as Flying or Associate members, are requested to make a special effort to attend.

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Straits	Hakusan Maru December 22.
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Manila	President Cleveland December 23.
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Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru December 27.
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Manila	Per Pres. Cleveland Tues., Dec. 17, 4.30 p.m.
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Parcels Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Registration Dec. 18, 9.15 a.m.
Letters 10 a.m.
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Amoy Chennan Wed., Nov. 18, 1.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta Namsang Thurs., Dec. 19.

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Straits Gremer Thurs., Dec. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow Hydrangea Thurs., Dec. 19, 2.30 p.m.

Swatow and Wei Hai Wei Kueichow Fri., Dec. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Japan and *Europe via Siberia Aki Maru Fri., Dec. 20, 9.30 a.m.
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(Due Marseilles 17th Jan. 1930.)
Hui Ning Sat., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Khiva Sat., Dec. 21, 9.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia Antung Sat., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.

Amoy Kanchow Sun., Dec. 22, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru Sun., Dec. 22, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow Kiangchow Sun., Dec. 22, 9 a.m.

Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C. President Cleveland Mon., Dec. 23.

Parcels 1.30 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.
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Swatow Sunning Mon., Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
Foochow and Weihaiwei Cheong Shing Mon., Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia President Cleveland Mon., Dec. 23.

Registration 5 p.m.
Letters 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Patroclus Tues., Dec. 24.

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Letter 1 p.m.

G.P.O.
Registration 1.45 p.m.
Letters 2.30 p.m.
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Reference to the impending departure of H.E. the Governor was made at the official opening of the new Catholic University Hostel, Ricci Hall, yesterday afternoon by Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, who said that in years to come he hoped to see a "Clementi Hall" stand within the University domains.

The gathering at the hostel was a most distinguished one and included, in addition to His Excellency, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Bishop Valtorta, the Bishop of Victoria, Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, C.B.E., Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E., and many members of the clergy and laity of all denominations. Letters of regret at their inability to be present were received from Lady Clementi and from the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotowall, C.M.G.

Following the arrival of H. E. the Governor, and the opening of the hostel, the gathering adjourned to the rear of the building where, on a fine terrace commanding a magnificent view across the harbour, the speeches were made.

Welcoming H.E., Father G. Byrne, S.J., said:

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen: We have assisted at a ceremony which is simple in its accomplishment but profound in its implications. Opening a door is so simple an act that the burglar can dispense with your keys, yet opening a door is so full of meaning that the phrase has become one of the rich metaphors of our language. Our memories of the past, our joys, our hopes, our aspirations, all crowd through the open door of our minds, voluntarily or involuntarily admitted. Every one realises that no quest is so human as the quest of the golden key which unlocks the door of the temple of knowledge. You can see, then, how fitting is the ceremony, just performed by His Excellency, of opening the door of a new University Hostel, destined for students of Universal Knowledge.

It seems to me that there is an especial appropriateness in the function for His Excellency, at the present moment. To the regret of all, he and Lady Clementi are about to leave us. In the mind of the Home Government, Singapore is a step higher on the administrative ladder, but to us, who know the East, it is absurd to say that a Governor, in the low-lying Straits, could climb higher than Mountain Lodge, on the Peak. Certain it is that His Excellency will find it difficult to reach a higher point in the esteem of his new friends than he has reached in the good-will of all Hongkong.

He has devoted himself, untiringly to every phase of local development, and I am sure that he will not contradict me if I say that the growth of the University has had a very warm corner in his heart, and that no one has worked more actively than he to help the University to pass the stage of what Mr. Hornell called "its growing pains." From the first he has taken a keen interest in the erection of Ricci Hall. It is an addition to the University; and may we flatter ourselves that, at least in its ideals, it is an addition that would appeal to his scholarship?

History of Ricci.

The name chosen for the Hall—Ricci Hall—suggests that those responsible for its direction wish to borrow a leaf from His Excellency's own book of scholarship, by trying to make a happy blend of Western and Eastern scholarship. Long before Ricci, Western missionaries, Western traders, Western explorers had found their way to the East, but Matteo Ricci (pronounced Ritchie) was the first to establish himself at the court of Peking, not only as a recognised scientist, but as a master in science who opened up new fields of knowledge to the scholars of the East. After working for some years in Canton, Shiu Hing and other parts of South China, Father Ricci finally got permission to settle in Peking, on January 24, 1601. At Peking he remained until his death on May 11, 1610. He was known to the citizens as Priest, Sinologue and Scientist and to quote the words of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*: "Probably no European name of past centuries is so well known as that of Li-ma-tsu, the form in which the name of Ricci was adapted to Chinese usage. The works which he composed in Chinese are numerous. . . . They are said to display an aptitude for clothing ideas in a Chinese dress very rare and remarkable in a foreigner."

It is natural that those who belong to the Jesuit Order of which Fr. Ricci was a member should seek to perpetuate his memory by some suitable memorial in the East. It is a happy coincidence that the first warden of the Hall—Fr. MacDonald—should have commenced his connexion with the East in Shiu Hing and Canton, as did

Ricci. Fr. MacDonald has just come to us from Canton where, last year, he taught mathematics in Cantonese. Though Fr. MacDonald would be the first to deny any claim to a scholarship such as Ricci's, I am quite safe in saying that in devotion to the study of the language he is one with his illustrious brother, and if he and those associated with him in the work were not animated by the ideals of Ricci, this Hall would have remained unbuild.

Scope of University.

If you ask what more precisely these ideals are, I would say that they are happily summed up in the title given to Ricci "Priest, Sinologue, Scientist." These ideals are developed by Cardinal Newman in his idea of a University. He claims as the scope of a University the culture of universal knowledge, and shows that this aim cannot be attained unless the mind sweeps the heavens as well as the earth. We have been selecting Christmas cards, these days, and the traditions of Christmas must bring home to us the impossibility of understanding the thought of a Dante, a Shakespeare, a Milton without some of the theology of the Incarnation. Nor can we divorce the art of Michelangelo, of Raphael, of Murillo from the same theology.

For this reason, amongst others, we can see the need of Hostels which, within a University, afford such students, as freely desire it, the opportunity of pursuing, pari passu with their secular studies, the culture which, to those who believe in religion at all, must dominate all other cultures—the religious development of their souls. In the biochemical laboratory an excellent menu card of carbohydrates and proteins suitably blended for our dinner may be drawn up, but we are more interested in the social side of our parties than even in vitamins, and the best equipped laboratory does not analyse table talk. A full University course should prepare the student to be something more than a doctor or an engineer or a lawyer; it should prepare him to be a man, to play to the full his role of duty in life:

"So high is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When Duty whispers low—Thou must."

The youth replies—I can't!

The social life of a University Hall where students of so many different races, creeds and varied cultures meet should be an invaluable training ground. The permanent staff of the Hall will consist of the Warden with two or three others, all University Graduates of different faculties: thus, at present, literature, medicine and engineering are represented. As in the residential Halls of Oxford and Cambridge private assistance is given to such students as desire it, so it will be the aim of the Fathers to help those who may need help in their studies.

Useful Library.

Amongst other things you will notice that we are endeavouring to build up a useful library for the benefit of the students. We shall try to make this library more serviceable by lectures on such subjects as the use of libraries the choice of books, the most profitable way to read, etc. Lord Bacon has truly said that "reading maketh a full man" but he did not add that indiscriminate reading may produce a mental indigestion more dangerous than the bodily malady and more difficult to cure.

On the open book, above the hall door, you have noticed a phrase from the Analects of Confucius, which we might render freely into English: "In your quest of scholarship follow the man of high ideals, not the man of low ideals." We shall be happy if the student of Ricci Hall has this motto "Excelsior" as his watchword. We hope, certainly, that the immediate result of his efforts will be success in the examination hall. But we hope still more that, even if he were to fall in the list of academic honours, he will not fail in the more important roll call of being a man—every inch a man: "tis not in mortals to command success, but I've done better, I've deserved it."

On behalf of the staff of Ricci Hall, I beg to thank very sincerely H. E. Sir Cecil Clementi for his presence to-day and his genuine interest in the Hall; Bishop Valtorta for unfailing encouragement; Professor Middleton Smith, the senior Dean of the University staff for his presence on the platform to welcome us into the University circle. I might add that the acquisition of the beautiful site is due not only to his engineering in-

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CATHOLIC HOSTEL OPENED.

(Continued from Page 5.)

stinct but to his artistic sense which, years ago, persuaded the military authorities that "better is wisdom than weapons of war."

Thanks to Builders.

The architects, Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood, the contractors, Messrs. Lam Woo, Mr. Vanniene who did the chapel, the electricians, Messrs. Jack, Messrs. Reiss Massey for the heating, Lee Yu Kee for the range will all be rewarded by your approbation, when you have examined their work. Nor will you deny it to Messrs. Chung & Chung for the room furniture, nor to Mr. Chanatong for the design of the library press.

We are indebted to the Club Lusitano for allowing us one of their billiard tables at a more than reasonable cost.

Besides all these I should mention a small list of benefactors, who have contributed towards the cost of furnishing the Hostel. As I hope that the list will be increased, I am withholding publication for the moment. It is customary to make an appeal for institutions such as this. If I imitate the general custom, I know that I can call upon your goodness which has grown by frequent giving, and at the same time I can appeal to your civic sense. St. Paul boasted that he "was a citizen of no mean city." A Hongkonger can surely indulge in the boast, to say nothing of the resident who points to the placard of Greater Kowloon. Now you are convinced that a University and all the machinery that goes to work it are not a luxury but a necessity to the national life. You will crumble and be replaced; you leave thoughts—ideals, inspirations—they will germinate for good or ill; you help to educate those who will take your place, what have you done?—

"What is white?"

The soul of the sage, faith-

lit.

The trust of Age.

The infant's untaught wit.

What more white?

The face of truth made known.

The Voice of Youth

Singing before her throne."

Loss of H.E.

Professor Middleton Smith said

that of all the friends the University

had had in its existence, H. E. Sir

Cecil Clementi would rank as one

of the greatest. He had always

shown a great interest in the

University, and it was with dismay

that all connected with the

institution heard of his impending

departure.

Ricci Hall was fortunate in hav-

ing had Sir Cecil to open its

portals and to bear a stone tablet

to that effect at its entrance. In

years to come he hoped that the

University would have a "Clementi

Hall" to commemorate the work Sir

Cecil had always so gladly per-

formed for the institution.

The University had had many

difficulties in its career, he con-

tinued, but it was most happy

never to have misfortunes result-

ing from divergence of religious

views. He pointed out that at one

time the University of London had

suffered from this complaint. The

Duke of Wellington, who had very

fixed views on religious matters,

was determined to enforce them

upon the colleges in the same way

that he had conquered his enemies

on the field of battle. Finally, the

authorities said that if the Univer-

sity controllers could not agree,

they would keep only one body

within its walls, and that the most

unpopular one, the examiners.

This was done and for many years

the University remained in this

condition. In 1900, however, the

people became more sensible and

to-day the University had a dif-

ferent standard of affairs that

made for higher standards socially,

and intellectually.

Bishop's Address.

His Lordship Bishop Valterra

said that it was indeed a great

pleasure to see the realisation of a

long cherished dream in having a

Catholic Hostel at the University

of Hongkong. The invitation from

the University authorities long

ago to start a Catholic Hostel had

been eagerly accepted. The Catholic

Church respected freely all reli-

gious liberty and actually forbade

all forms of religious coercion.

Yet it wished Christian principles

and deals to always accompany

step by step, even up to the Univer-

sity, the education of youth. The

short 22 years he had passed in

China had more than convinced him

of the absolute necessity of

Christian principles as a basis for

education. He had seen a feverish

activity for education in China, yet

he had seen once more how true it

was that the school when it ceases

to be a temple becomes a den.

To the instruction of the mind

must be added the moulding of the

character—to the scientist add the

man. These reasons had moved

the Catholic Mission to start a

hostel for the University students.

However, the Mission had always

had troubles of one kind or an-

other, so that it could not succeed

until to-day. But where there was

a will there was a way. The build-

ing, the equipment, and above all

the fine staff of the hall, made the

RADIO BROADCAST.

PROGRAMME BY ZBW FOR TO-DAY.

European music will be broadcast by ZBW, to-day on 365 and 49 metres between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., the nine o'clock transmission being devoted to Chinese music. The full programme for to-day is as follows:

5.00-7.00 p.m. Programme of H. M. V. and Victor records by courtesy

of Messrs. Mouton:

"Le Traviata—Pompieri—

Part 1 and 2," (Verdi),

Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

"Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 14,"

(Liszt), Mark Hambourg.

"Five O'clock Girl,"—Selection,

(Ruby),—Selection,

"Love Lies,"—New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Dear Little Cafe,"—(Verdi),

"Bitter Sweet"—Coward),

"I'll see you again,"

Peggy Wood and George Metaxa.

"Madam Butterfly,"—Selection,

(Puccini),

"New Light Symphony Orchestra.

"Pilgrim's Song of Hope,"

(Baptiste), (A Dream of Love),

(Liszt), Henry Gordon Thunberg.

"Carmen"—Selection—Part 1 to 4,"

(Bizet),

"I like my old home town," (Lauder),

"I'm looking for a Bonnie Lass to

love me," (Lauder),

Sir Harry Lauder.

"Ballet Egyptian Suite—

Part 1 to 4," (Luigini),

Concert Orchestra.

"The Desert Song,"—Vocal Gems,

(Romberg),

"The Blue Mazurka,"—Vocal Gems,

(Lehar),

Light Opera Company.

"Trovatore Selection—Part 1 and 2,"

(Verdi),

Creator's Band.

"Caprice Viennois," (Kreisl),

"Ifumoresque," (Dvorak-Kreisl),

Fritz Kreisler.

"Cavalleria Rusticana"—Intermezzo,"

(Mascagni),

"Tales of Hoffman"—Barcarolle,"

(Offenbach),

Victor Concert Orchestra.

7.45 p.m. Weather report.

9.00 p.m. Chinese programme.

10.30 p.m. Close down.

hostel a most welcome addition to

the University. The Jesuit

Father's whenever they started

something always did it in the

most thorough manner. Such a

type was Father Ricci, and such,

he had no doubt, would be the

Jesuit staff of Ricci Hall. To-

gether with the undying gratitude

of the Catholic Mission they would

gain for themselves the gratitude

and blessings of all those who

throughout China would have the

fortune of coming into contact with

such men as will have been educated

by them at Ricci Hall.

The Governor.

"H. E. The Governor said:—

Father Byrne, Ladies and

Gentlemen: Both as Chancellor of

the Hongkong University and as

Governor of this Colony I welcome

the establishment of Ricci Hall;

and it is a great pleasure to me to

perform the opening ceremony to-

day. The founders of the Hong-

kong University rightly decided that

the institution should be re-

sidential, in order that its under-

graduates might enjoy the benefits

which are to be marked a feature of

residential Universities in England.

Moreover, the raison d'être of the

Hongkong University is, or should

be, to explain China to the West

and the West to China. But such

an object cannot be achieved merely

by lectures to students in a class-

room, supplemented by private

study in a lodging-house. Some form

of collegiate life is essential;

and it is this which the hostels of

the Hongkong University, of which

Ricci Hall is one, aim at supplying.

So important is this matter in the

view of the Hongkong Government

that arrangements are now made

for our cadet officers on arrival in

the Colony to be attached to the

Hongkong University and, when-

ever accommodation is available,

to live in one of the University

hostels.

We wish by this means, on the

one hand, to facilitate the Chinese

studies of cadets and, on the other

hand, to establish friendly contact

from the outset, between Chinese

undergraduates and young "Bri-

tishers, newly arrived in Hongkong,

who have in most cases very re-

cently themselves been under-

graduates in one of the universities

at home. We hope thereby to bene-

fit, not only the students, but the

University and the Colony as well;

for in years to come the University

hostels will, I anticipate, play a

role of increasing importance in

the life of the Colony and they

should materially contribute to

mutual understanding between the

many races of which the Colony's

population is composed. Even at a

distance I shall watch the career of

Ricci Hall with deep interest and I

shall expect to hear great things of

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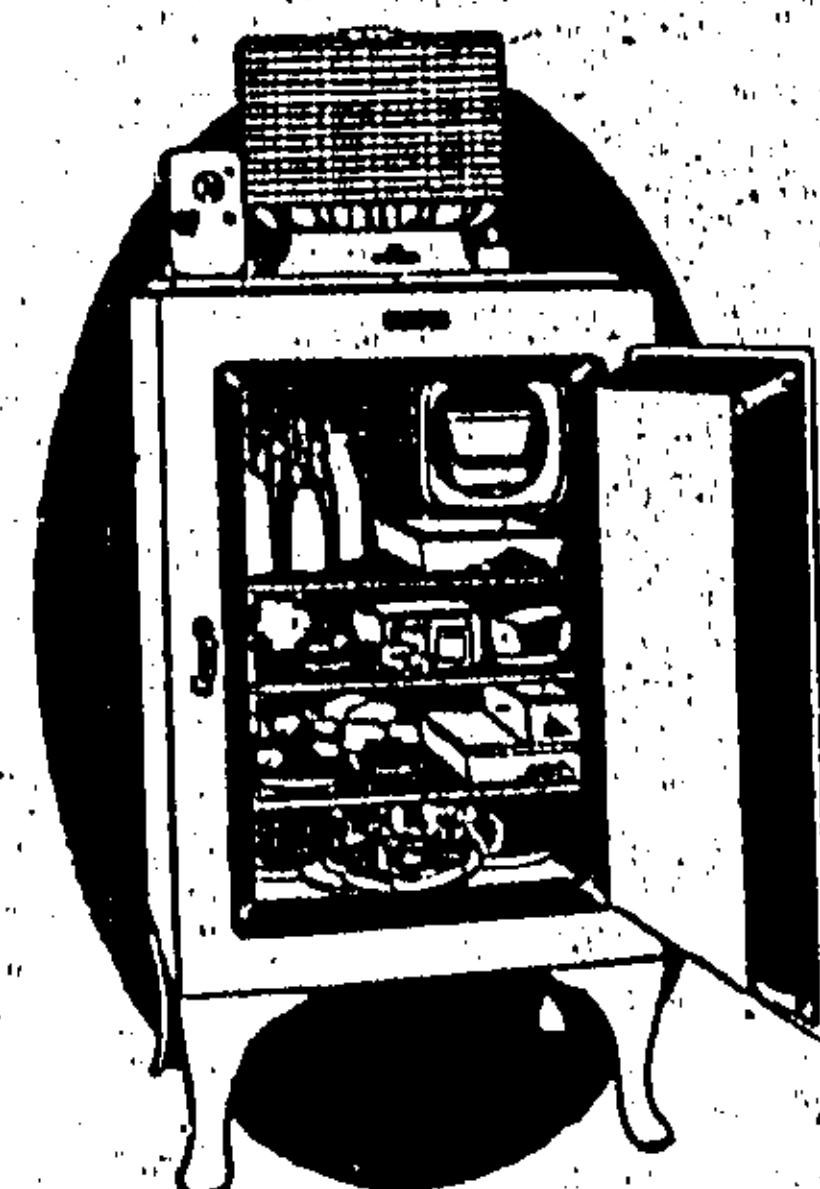
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- 22040 | World's Great Sweetheart.
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CINEMA NOTES.

"THE BROADWAY MELODY" FOR THURSDAY.

As its first all-talking film, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer took a specially written story with a theatrical Broadway background by Edmund Goulding, gave it to Harry Beaumont to direct with a cast headed by Charles King, Anita Page and Bessie Love, got James Gleason, author of "Is Zat So?" and "The Shannons of Broadway" and Norman Houston to write the sophisticated dialogue, secured lyrics by Arthur Freed and music by Nacio Herb Brown, dashed in a bit of technicolour in order not to lose the beauty of acts and costumes, and called the result "The Broadway Melody."

This picture, which enthusiastic advance information insists is easy on the eye and not at all hard on the ear, will be presented for the first time in Hongkong at the Queen's Theatre on Thursday, guaranteeing some of the greatest screen entertainment seen here.

If any credence is to be given to the assertions of those who are responsible for this particular film and those who witnessed its sensational debut at the Astor Theatre in New York City, where it carried the motion picture critics and the huge first-night audience by storm, it deserves special attention as the most brilliant all-talking, all-singing, all-dancing motion picture yet screened.

Of course the proof from an individual point of view is how one likes the picture when one sees and hears it, from the box-office point of view, how many individuals will like it or not so little that they can or cannot, as the case may be, stay away from it. So far, "The Broadway Melody" audiences have been among the greatest, numerically speaking, of any in the history of the screen.

Another item speaking well for "The Broadway Melody" is the fact that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer decided that it was the best vehicle obtainable for breaking the ice with an all-talker, largely because there is so much music in it. They have "The Trial of Mary Dugan" and other all-talking pictures on the way, but elected to open the campaign with a singing and dancing entertainment.

In order to let the music into the situations as naturally as possible, the author wrote of two sisters who came to New York to go on the stage and of their adventures in "Tin Pan Alley" and on the stage, back and front. Opportunity for songs are obvious. "The Broadway Melody" has the enchanting air of a musical comedy and all the drama of a serious story. A full musical comedy chorus is used and the music includes "The Broadway Melody," "You Were Meant for Me," and "Love Boat."

The cast is a notable one, including the three principals, Jed Prouty, Kenneth Thomson, Edward Dillon, Mary Doran, Eddie Kane, J. Emmett Beck, Marshall Ruth and Drew Demarest.

Miracle Man at Majestic. If the advance reports that herald the visit of Levante the well known illusionist who will appear at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon to-morrow can be relied on, it would not be asking too much to have him killed "The Miracle Man." Levante's one object in life appears to be to cause pretty ladies to vanish in mid-air, or to create as much laughter as possible whilst indulging in magical effects that are droll to the extreme. With a small boy, a hat and some eggs he succeeds in convulsing his audience with laughter, whilst the next minute he has apparently caused a lady to suffer torture whilst penetrating her with swords. Most of his illusions are from Maskelyne; that in itself brands him a star performer.

Miss Gladys Cole, who accompanies Levante, plays delightful music on a huge accordion. Her first programme will include "Humoresque" and several numbers from the "Follies of 1929."

CLASH AT MINE.

POLICE USE FIREARMS IN AUSTRALIA.

Sydney, Dec. 16. Four thousand miners at a Rothbury colliery viciously attacked the police early this morning. The police used revolvers and three miners were wounded. Several police were injured as the result of heavy stone-throwing. Attacks Resumed.

Later. Wild scenes followed the shooting, groups of miners making repeated and desperate attacks on the Police. The affray lasted for twenty minutes and broke out again later in the morning when the miners tried to force their way in to the colliery. A legislator named Baddley was injured in a melee while attempting to pacify the miners.—Reuter.

Attempts at Settlement. Sydney, Dec. 16. One miner was killed and nine were wounded, while forty-five suffered minor injuries, and six police were injured, in the disturbance at Rothbury mine.

Apparently the miners intended to occupy the mine, but had not expected such resolute resistance. Mr. Chaffey, the Minister for Mines, says there is no question but that law and order will be maintained. Large police reinforcements have gone to the mine from the Sydney and Newcastle districts.

The Federal Cabinet has resolved immediately to intervene in the dispute and the Commonwealth Arbitration Court has summoned the parties to an urgent, compulsory conference in Sydney at noon to-morrow.

Mr. Scullin has telegraphed to the miners' leaders strongly requesting the miners to withdraw from the vicinity of the mine and avoid further clashes.

The leaders have replied that they will do everything possible to comply with the request.

Mr. Scullin has also requested Mr. Bavin, Premier of New South Wales, to suspend the measures for opening the mine, but the New South Wales Cabinet has decided not to alter its plan to open the mine on Thursday, and will not participate in the conference to-morrow.—Reuter.

AMERICAN PRODUCTS.

KEEN COMPETITION WITH INDIA EXPECTED.

Bombay, Dec. 16. At the opening of the annual general meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of India and Ceylon the Governor of Bombay, Sir Frederick Sykes, was of opinion that the United States would be compelled to resort to wholesale dumping of produce wherever possible in order to dispose of its immense production, for which the demand had suddenly declined owing to the stock market collapse; thus India would be brought increasingly into direct competition with American industry, and the demand for Indian products must inevitably to some extent slacken and prices fall.—Reuter.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.
STOP, SHOP, SHOT, SOOT, LOOT, LOOK.

among them being "The Breakaway," "That's You Baby," "Walking With Susie" and "Big City Blues." The film supporting these artists has been selected with great care is "Jesse James" with Fred Thomson. It is a story of a gentleman highwayman and is full of tense drama and clever stunts. To give family parties a chance of seeing Levante, it has been arranged for him to appear during three of the four performances of the Majestic Theatre, daily.

AMERICAN PROGRESS.

REPORTS STRESS THE GROWTH OF INDUSTRY.

Washington, Dec. 16. The unbroken, steady expansion of business in the past eight years, notwithstanding a few minor, short-lived recessions, is stressed in Mr. Lamont's annual message to Congress, showing that the expansion of production of commodities, transport and other services had in nowise diminished in the year ending June 30. The annual report of the Labour Secretary, Mr. Davis, suggests that the air patrol curb immigration smugglers and other border law breakers. He asserts the latter are already using airships, while the enforcement of the law can only be accomplished by better weapons than those used by the law breakers.

Mr. Davis advocates a policy of selective immigration to ensure admittance of the best qualified Europeans. Among two million candidates for places, the total quotas are 150,000.—Reuter's American Service.

American Incomes.

New York, Dec. 16. The income of the people in the United States has increased by 23,470 million dollars in the last decade, and by almost sixty billion dollars in the last twenty years, according to figures compiled by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

It is also estimated that the average wage earner received 1,205 dollars in 1928, compared with 976 in 1909.—Reuter's American Service.

LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

BUSY SESSION FORESHADOWED FOR NEXT MONTH.

London, Dec. 16. There are 25 subjects on the agenda of the 58th session of the League of Nations Council, which will open at Geneva on January 13. The Polish Foreign Minister, M. Zaleski, will preside on this occasion. The business will include the selection of a committee to consider an amendment of the League Covenant in order to bring it into accord with the Paris Peace Pact, the appointment of a further committee to examine the causes of delay in ratification of the League conventions, and the adoption of procedure for a study of the Finnish proposal that the Permanent Court of Justice should have jurisdiction as a court of appeal in view of the arbitral tribunals established by States.

The business also includes economic and social matters, and several questions in relation to mandates, including a proposal for a special sitting in the spring of the Mandates Committee to discuss the Palestine situation, and the appointment of a special commission suggested by the British Government to settle the claims of the Moslems and the Jews to the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem.—British Wireless.

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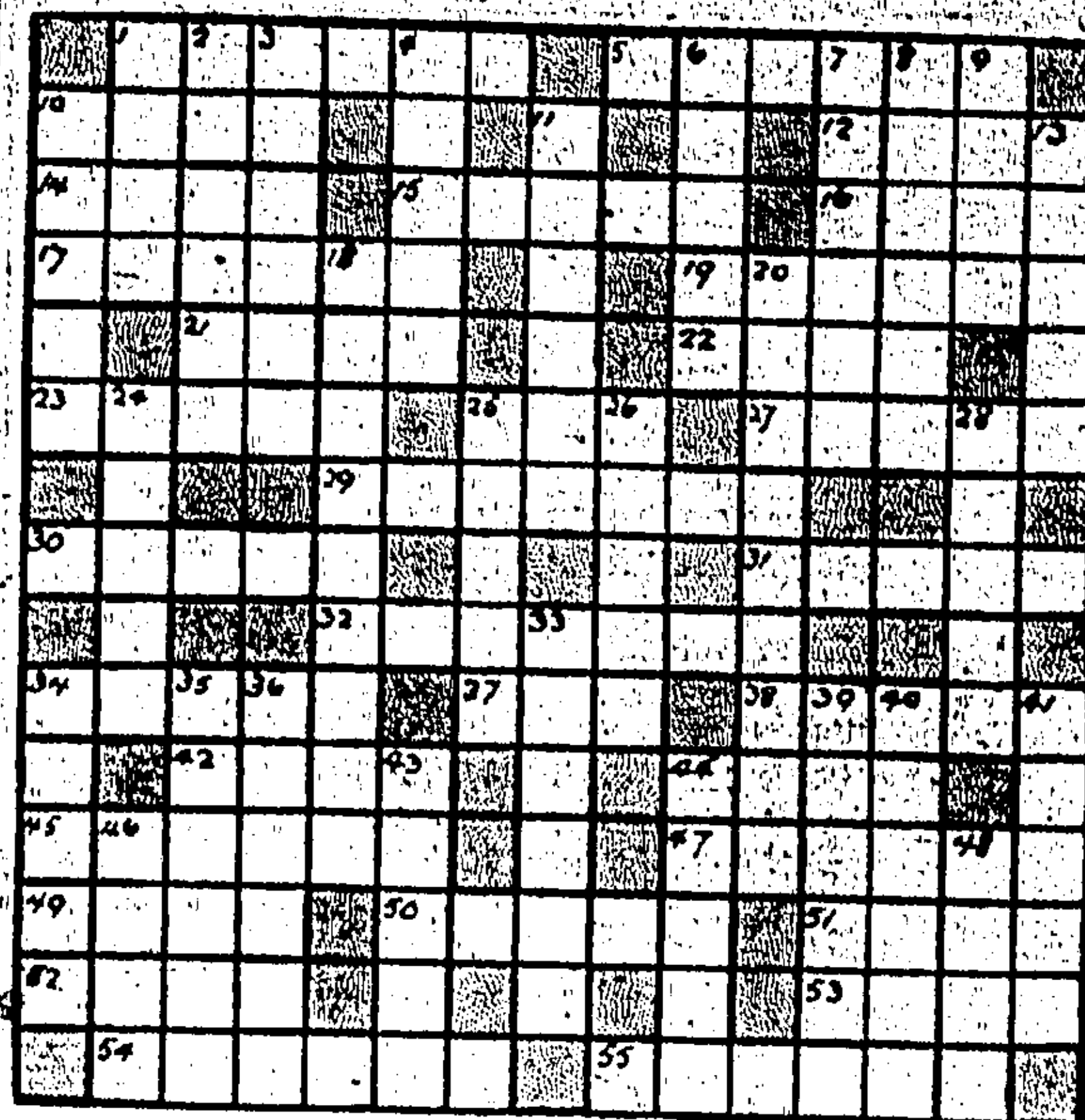
OPENING AT KOWLOON ON
THURSDAY.

The Warwick Revue Company, which will commence their return season at the Star Theatre on Thursday, will receive another warm welcome.

The Company has just returned from a very successful season in the North and Press cuttings from our Northern ports describe it as witty, delightfully staged, full of brilliant dancing and colour and ideal for entertainment. It presents no problem whatever, the slogan, "Just For Fun" never being lost sight of.

During their short stay the Company will stage, "The Peep Show," "High Lights," "The Whirligig," and "Farewell Fare." Booking is ready at Moutrie's and the Star.

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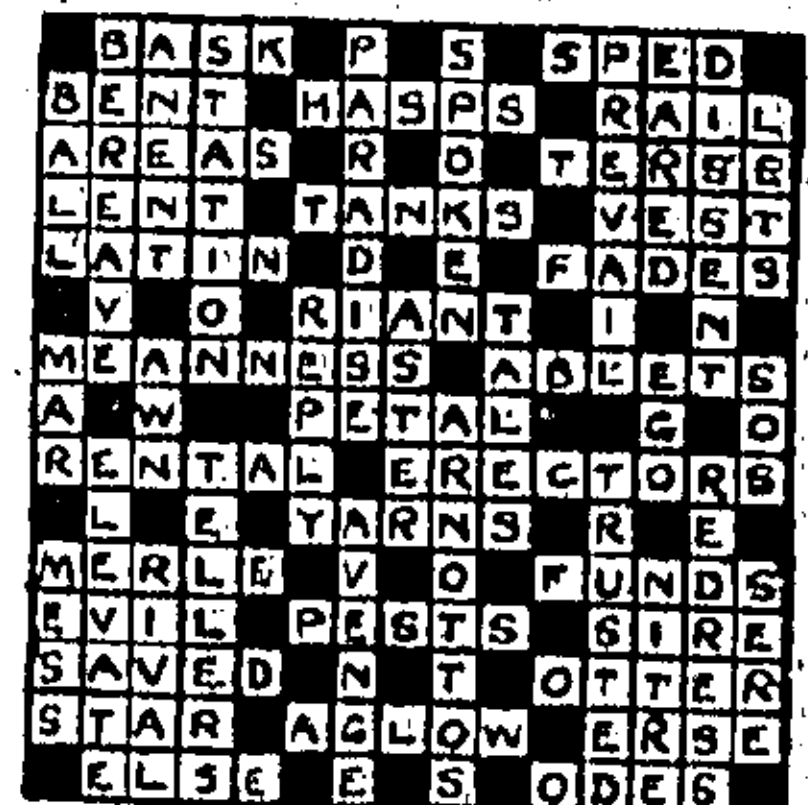
- Across
- 1 Responsible.
 - 5 Turn back.
 - 10 Strobilus.
 - 12 List of candidates.
 - 14 Division of time.
 - 15 Personal servant.
 - 16 Mimicker.
 - 17 Not matured.
 - 19 Resist.
 - 21 Nobleman.
 - 22 Girl.
 - 23 Long handled dish.
 - 25 Opposite to weather.
 - 27 Appears.
 - 29 Unbica's beds.
 - 30 Portion.
 - 31 Elevate.
 - 32 Pattern.
 - 34 Split asunder.
 - 37 Parched.
 - 38 Give.
 - 42 Molecule.
 - 44 Look for.
 - 45 Dream.
 - 47 Approbation.
 - 49 Sully.
 - 50 The earth.
 - 51 White nun.
 - 52 Canter.
 - 53 Do as one is bid.
 - 54 Make certain.
 - 55 Plug.

Down

- 1 Rogue.
- 2 Accustomed.
- 3 High.
- 4 Flat.
- 6 Praise.

- 7 Glide away.
- 8 Sleep.
- 9 Starting points in golf.
- 10 Peasant.
- 11 Exulted.
- 13 Perennial plants.
- 18 Teacher.
- 20 Traveller.
- 24 Farewell.
- 25 Scottish landowner.
- 26 Poem.
- 28 Large fruit.
- 33 Large vein.
- 34 Brag.
- 35 Portion.
- 36 Pieces of wood for raised walking.
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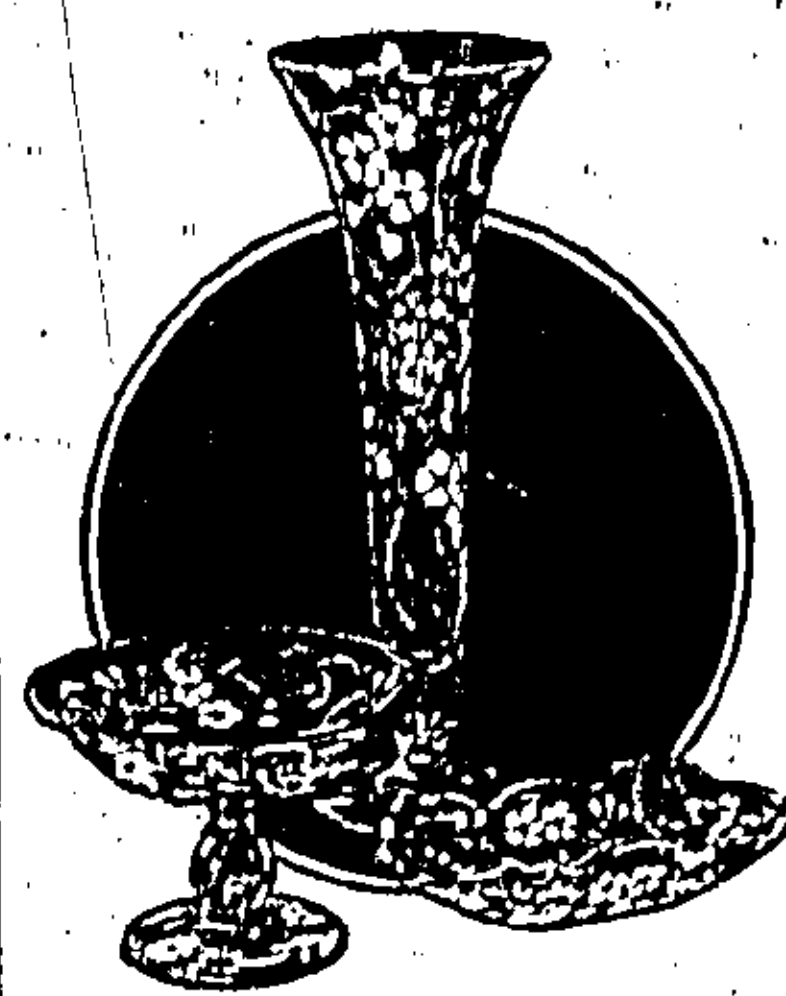
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DEATH.

HUMPHREYS.—At Tientsin, on
15th, following pneumonia,
J. L. Humphreys, C.M.G.,
C.B.E., Governor of British
North Borneo.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY DEC. 17, 1929.

THOSE SHANGHAI CABARETS.

It would seem that Shanghai's
cafe managers are up in arms
against the decision of the Muni-
cipal Council that as from February
1st next all cabarets, bars, hotels,
etc., within the International
Settlement must close their doors
not later than 2 a.m. They con-
tend that it is only after that hour
that their businesses really begin
to pay, and assert that the enforce-
ment of the new rule will mean
that they will have to shut down
altogether. There seems little
likelihood of the regulation meet-
ing with objection from any but
those who run these all-night
cabarets, as the hours permitted
are quite adequate for hotels and
ordinary establishments of that
kind; indeed, the latitude given is
far greater than that enjoyed in
Hongkong, where the sale of in-
toxicants is prohibited after mid-
night, except by permit on special
occasions.

Here in Hongkong we have
been spared the doubtful plea-
sures associated with restaurants
which engage professional dan-
cing girls for the purpose of pro-
viding cabaret entertainments, the
authorities (quite rightly, in our
opinion) setting their faces
against the opening up of estab-
lishments of this type. From the
Shanghai standpoint, life here
may, in consequence, be much
"slower," but that the gain is to
the community in general there
can be no question. We are told
that the psychology of the Shang-
hai cabaret frequenter is such that
he will not go out for one or two
hours' entertainment in the even-
ing, preferring to make his noctur-
nal jaunt an all-night one. Thus
it happens that many of these
cafes run until six or seven o'clock
in the morning. Our reaction to
these things is that they are no-
thing about which to boast; quite
the reverse, in fact. We know
all too well the type of Shanghai-
lander who likes to create the im-
pression amongst strangers that
Shanghai is a "wicked" place; not
that he would really like it to be,

but that he thinks it "smart" to
boast of how much more colourful
and Bohemian the life of the
Northern settlement is than, for
example, the humdrum existence
with which the Hongkong resident
has to put up. Whilst we would
not for a moment suggest that
these moderns are truly represen-
tative of the community, they are
performing, perhaps unwittingly,
a disservice to Shanghai when they
talk thus. It is because of the
prattlings of the "fast set" and
the springing up of establishments
which set themselves out to cater
to their tastes that Shanghai has
in some quarters gained a rather
unsavoury reputation. In taking
the step upon which it has decid-
ed, therefore, the Municipal Coun-
cil is doing something to remove
the causes for reproach. No one
who is jealous for the future of
Shanghai will quarrel with the
decision. It is high time, indeed,
that some such step were taken.

We remarked, earlier in this
comment, that the action taken by
the Municipality will be for the
good of the community. A mo-
ment's reflection will establish the
point. Apart from the tremen-
dous amount of money which must
be wasted in these cabarets, there
is the economic aspect of the
question so far as it affects the
business life of the Settlement.
So long as these cafes are per-
mitted to remain open all night, so
long will they attract young men
who ought to be in their beds. It
stands to reason that no office as-
sistant or shop employee who
makes a practice of "going the
rounds" can be fit for business
next day; the loss in efficiency
must be considerable. There are
other considerations, also, which
need not be specified to be real-
ised. Here in Hongkong we may be
a little more straight-faced and
"ultra-British" than many of the
people of Shanghai, but we have
at any rate the comforting assur-
ance that if we err at all, it is
on the side of moderation.

A Genuine Case?

"When so many weird and won-
derful fairy tales are connected by
petty offenders for the benefit of
Police Magistrates, it is hardly
surprising that, after a few months'
experience in the local courts, the
men on the Bench rather despair of
the attempt to distinguish between
the false and the true. We feel
sure, therefore, that a little deeper
enquiry would have been made into
the case of an old man charged with
stealing at Kowloon yesterday, but
for the fact that so many "bad hats"
had preceded him into the dock.
He admitted the theft—he had
stolen a bar of iron worth possibly
thirty or forty cents from a con-
tractor's yard—and the Police pro-
duced records of two previous con-
victions for equally petty offences,
one in 1909 and one in 1920. He
was sentenced to one month's hard
labour. In ordinary circumstances,
we should have said he had got off
rather lightly, but the man also had
a story to tell. Briefly it was this:
he himself being 75 years of age,
he had a blind wife of 80 to sup-
port. In the eve of his life, he
stated quite frankly, he had been
reduced to begging in order to ob-
tain a living. The Magistrate's
comment that his only occupation
appeared to be begging and stealing
strikes us, without full knowledge
of all the facts, as a little unfair.
Three convictions in twenty years
do not make a hardened offender,
while we are definitely of the view
that the Government of Hongkong
has some real responsibility towards
a man who has passed the normal
span of life and cannot be expected
to earn his own living. He has
ceased to become employable. Beg-
ging offers his only chance of ex-
istence. It is only human that he
should succumb to temptation on
seeing an opportunity of making
away with a bar of iron which
might not be missed, but which
would perhaps provide him with a
little extra comfort. On the sur-
face it appears to be a genuine case
of hardship; at least, warranting
investigation by the Police before
condemning the man to a felon's
cell for a month and possibly leaving
a blind woman to face the battle
of life alone.

DAY BY DAY.

A HOUSE IS NO HOME UNLESS IT
CONTAINS FOOD AND FIRE FOR THE
MIND AS WELL AS FOR THE BODY.—
Margaret Fuller Ossoli.

The P. and O. s.s. Khiva, from
Singapore, is due here on Saturday
at 6 a.m.

From the British India Steam
Navigation Co. we have received a
useful ever-sharp pencil.

The Empress of Russia, which
left Hongkong on November 27th,
arrived at Vancouver on December
14th.

An amended notification states
that the P. and O. s.s. Bellana,
from Shanghai, is due here at 6
a.m. to-morrow.

A very colourful illustration of
the Asama Maru is the feature of
the new N. Y. K. calendar which
has been sent us.

A small quantity of ammunition
and fireworks will be fired for
proof purposes at the Stonecutters
Rifle Range on Wednesday after-
noon.

The "Closing Day" and dis-
tribution of prizes of the Kowloon
Bowling Green Club is advertised
to take place on Saturday,
December 21.

Lady Clementi has kindly con-
sented to perform the unveiling
ceremony of the portrait of the
late Dr. (Mrs.) A. D. Hickling at
the Tsan Yuk Hospital, Western
Street, on Friday afternoon next.

A Chinese, who appeared before
Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kow-
loon Magistracy this morning, on
a charge of cruelty to two chickens
and a goose by carrying them sys-
temed by the wings, was fined \$5.

On admission of a charge of
causing an obstruction by playing
football in Nga Tsin Wai Road,
Kowloon City, a Chinese, who ap-
peared before Mr. T. S. Whyte
Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning, was cautioned.

The body has been removed to
the public mortuary of a coolie,
aged 45 years, who was found
hanging by the neck from the ver-
andah at 13, Water Street, West
Point. The police are satisfied
that it is a case of suicide.

Charged with returning from
banishment before the expiration
of his term of ten years dating
from February 28, 1920, a Chinese,
who appeared before Mr. T. S.
Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Ma-
gistracy this morning, stated that
he had miscalculated the time.
He had made a mistake between
the Western and Eastern calen-
dars. His Worship sentenced the
defendant to four months' hard
labour.

The large audience which
gathered at the Theatre Royal
last night for the second perfor-
mance by the Philharmonic Society
of "The Geisha" was delighted
with the excellence of the pro-
duction. Those taking part were
even better than on the opening
night, and the play went with a
fine swing from start to finish.
Another big house is expected to-
night, and those who have not al-
ready booked for the remaining
shows should do so without delay.

A Japanese named F. H. Take-
moto appeared before Mr. T. W. H.
Hosegood at the Marine Court
this morning on the charge of
having committed a breach of his
hawker's licence by selling ciga-
rettes on board the s.s. Taiyo Maru
yesterday. Defendant admitted
the offence and was fined \$5 or
five days. The mistress of a pas-
senger boat, charged with carry-
ing three passengers in excess of
the number allowed by her licence,
was fined \$3—\$1 a passenger—
with the alternative of three
days' hard labour.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Dec. 16.
Paris	125.94
Brussels	34.65
Amsterdam	12.09
Berlin	20.38
Copenhagen	18.38
Helsingfors	34.60
Lisbon	194.4
Bucharest	108.4
Buenos Aires	818
Shanghai	46.5/16
Yokohama	2/2 2/4
Geneva	2/6 3/32
New York	48 9/32
Stockholm	25.11
Milan	68.24
Oslo	18.03 1/2
Prague	18.20 1/2
Madrid	164.4
Athens	34.60
Rio	875
Bombay	6.19/32
Hongkong	1/5 29/32
Silver (spot and forward)	1/8 1/4
	22.0/10

—British Wireless.

THE BOOKSHELF.

A NEW INTERPRETER OF CHINA.

Alice Tisdale Hobart has been
described as "the new interpreter
of China." Her latest book, "Pid-
gin Cargo," published by The Cen-
tury Company, New York
(G. \$2.50), provides full justifica-
tion for the description of her work.
Mr. Lancelot Giles, of the British
consular service, in commenting on
Mrs. Hobart's writings, remarks:
—"Too often have we been afflicted
with romances about China which
have only served first for derisive
laughter and then for sheer bore-
dom, as one wildly impossible situa-
tion succeeds another, the authors
apparently never having seen China
or met any Chinese and drawing
their ideas of China and the Chin-
ese from some common stock of rid-
iculous absurdities. It is only those
who spend twenty or more of the
best years of their lives in the
smaller treaty ports who know how
to depict, as Alice Tisdale Hobart
does, the life of the interior."

"Pidgin Cargo," then, comes from
the pen of one who knows of what
she writes. It is a tale of pioneer-
ing on the Yangtze, of the life-bat-
tle between a man and a river, of
the never-ending struggle of an
American shipper and his son with
the giant stream that plays so big
a part in China's commerce. The
dramatic sweep of the novel, with
its stirring incidents of shipwrecks,
pirate fights, loyalties, treacheries,
escapes and rescues, flows impres-
sively upon a background of the
surging river of Chinese humanity,
the myriad common millions of
China, each counting for less than
one drop of the Yangtze's yellow
flood—ground down, betrayed,
starved, but constantly renewed,
patient and indestructible.

This book is much more than a
novel; it is a study of China and
the Chinese, written by one who
knows the Oriental mentality
through and through. It is obvi-
ously based on fact, for many of
the incidents treated and the per-
sonalities involved are historically
recognisable. Not only will the
tale grip the reader as he turns
its pages, but he will gain a new
insight into things Chinese. Add
to these considerations the further
fact that Mrs. Hobart writes with
marked literary ability, and it will
be realised that in "Pidgin Cargo"
we have a book of unusual merit.
We thoroughly commend it, and
would add that no one who lives
in the East should fail to find a
place for it on his or her bookshelf.

The Game of Wei-chi.

Longmans, Green and Co., Ltd.,
have just published the only book
in the English language on the
Chinese game of Wei-chi, which is
traditionally supposed to have been
invented about 2560 B.C. and was
mentioned by Confucius in 500 B.C.
We are told that it is quite possible
that the game will be the rage this
winter amongst Westerners, and
for that reason the appearance of
this little volume is most timely.
The book, which sells at 3s. 6d.,
is the joint work of Count Daniele
Pecorelli, a former Commissioner of
Customs in China, and Tong Shui,
of the Chinese diplomatic service.
It has a foreword by Professor
H.A. Giles, who was the pioneer
many years ago of introducing the
game to England; he says to play
it is an amusement in an easy task,
but to become a master is an affair
of years.

Wei-chi is played on a square map
on which are drawn at equal dis-
tances nineteen lines crossing at
right angles nineteen other lines,
thus forming 361 intersections.
The "men" or "pieces" used in the
game are placed on these inter-
sections, and not within the squares.
The game represents a struggle for
territory by opposing forces, and
it may therefore be called a war
game.

In addition to a historical
sketch, full details are given of how
to play the game, and by study of
the many analysed games the
reader can rapidly improve his
skill.

Tales from Flanders.

"Plain Tales from Flanders," by
the Rev. P. B. Clayton, M.C., the
founder-padre of To H, is amongst
the latest of Messrs. Longman,
Green and Company's publications.
It sells at 3s. 6d.

Those who know the author's
war service and post-war activities
need no assurance that this book
is good. It contains a selection of
stories—a bundle of a man's
memories, some sacred, some
fanciful, drawn from the private an-
nals of Talbot House in Poperinghe
and Ypres; a battered house and
still more battered cellar, whence
all To H throughout the world to-
day took its beginning.

The stories are all pregnant with
life and colour, and it is hoped that
this book will become as precious
to the members of To H as the
first "Tales of Talbot" now in its
eighth edition, and that many others
will be glad of its true witness,
standing guard over the men of
Flanders, their human worth, their
merit, and their proved dis-
cipleship.

The Very Idea!

Two readers have written to
The Daily Mail about their children
who were born on the eleventh
hour of the eleventh day of the
eleventh month.

One of them is Jean Everett, the
daughter of an ex-soldier who
went through the war with the 1st
Royal Scots. She was five years
old last Armistice Day, and was
born during the two minutes'
silence.

Jean has eleven toes, six on her
left foot and five on her right.
This, however, writes her father,
has no effect on her walking. She
was born at Armadale, West
Lothian, but is now living at
Battie, Sussex.

Another "Armistice baby" is
Victor Thomas Abbott, who was
eleven on this year. He lives at
Coad's Green, near Launceston,
Cornwall.

The other night I went to an
"at home" at an Indian students'
hostel (writes a correspondent to
a Home paper) and was surprised
to see one student in his dressing-
gown and slippers.

Wondering why he had present-
ed himself in such an unusual
manner, I went up and asked him
the reason. He looked astonished
at the question, and replied: "But
this is an 'at home,' and so why
should we put on coat, collar, and
other things which we wear when
we go out?"

The report that a home is res-
pectable does not exclude the pos-
sibility of its being one in which
the environment is unsympathetic
or even impossible for a child of a
special temperament.—Dr. W. A.
Potts.

The Commons is an association
of improvisers: all the thinking is
done by officials, salaried for the
purpose.—Mr. Leslie Horn-Bellish,
M. P.

All artists who make concessions
to other people's wishes, tastes, or
views, cease to be artists.—Mr. C.
R. W. Nevinson.

I can see nothing different in my-
self when I put on my frock coat.
—Mr. George Lansbury.

Millionaires are over-respected
in this world.—Mr. Walter
Runciman.

Little Jones drove up to a race
meeting in a particularly dilapidated
car. As soon as he pulled up the
attendant in charge of the car-park
came up to collect the fee.

"Ten shillings, sir," he said.
"What?" Jones said, "ten shill-
ings? What's that for?"

"Why—your car, sir?" the man
replied.

Jones looked from his vehicle to
the man and back again.
"Right!" he decided, after a
pause. "It's yours—give me the
ten bob!"

WHO WAS....

MADAM BUTTERFLY?

Far-away Nagasaki was the
scene of Madame Butterfly's
tragic love and death. She
was only fifteen—the age of
playthings and sweetmeats—
when her almond eyes and
pretty fluttering ways snared
the passing fancy of Lt.
Pinkerton, an officer in the
American Navy.

They were married in
Japanese fashion. Butterfly
understood little of the great
business of signing papers,
but she did understand that
she belonged to the handsome
American, and in an innocent
desire to please him she re-
nounced the gods of her
fathers. Her apostasy was
discovered and her relatives
cut her off from the family.
A little terrified, Butterfly
clung all the closer to her
husband, and for the brief
space of a summer enjoyed
idyllic happiness. With the
autumn, Pinkerton's boat re-
turned to America, but he
promised his girl-wife faith-
fully to return, "with the
roses, the warm, and sunny
season, when the red-breasted
robins are busy nesting."
Three years passed, but no
tall fair-haired husband re-
turned to see Madame But-
terfly and his little son.
Instead, there came a white
woman, Pinkerton's legal
wife, to beg for the child.
Disowned by parents and
husband, Butterfly embraced
her little Mousko-San, and in
an agony of love and despair
stabbed herself, just as her
repentant lover entered the
room and sank upon his knees
beside her.

Poor victim of man's
selfish, thoughtless passion,
this little flower of the East
was early bruised and broken.
Puccini's opera which bears
her name though one of the
saddest, is one of the best
loved.

**SMUGGLED WINES
DISCOVERED.****REGULAR TRAFFIC FROM
TIENTSIN.****DUMPED IN HARBOUR.**

That the defendants, a cook and storekeeper of the s.s. Kwei Chow, were regular smugglers of dutiable wines which were purchased in Tientsin, was the statement made by Detective Sergeant Humphreys before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when they appeared on remand on charges of being in possession of dutiable Chinese wine.

The cook, whose case was taken first, was accused of having had 18 bottles in his possession, and was fined \$50 or four weeks' hard labour. The defendant, said he had wanted the wine for his own consumption, but his Worship remarked that he could not have wanted such a large quantity.

Detective Sergeant Humphreys mentioned that the defendants were members of the B. & S. steamer Kwei Chow, which had arrived from Tientsin, where they had purchased the wine for about 40 cents per bottle to be re-sold in the Colony for double that price.

Unfortunately, continued the officer, the police had failed to discover 640 bottles which had been hidden underneath the cargo. By the time the police left the vessel, the cargo had been removed; the consignment of wine was dumped overboard and retrieved during the night.

It was mentioned that the defendants had had the wine cleverly hidden in various parts of the ship.

The store keeper, who, it was alleged, had 192 bottles in his possession, was fined \$250, or four months' hard labour in default.

The prosecuting officer mentioned that, in the defendant's favour was the fact that he had admitted ownership of the wine when it was found, although he did not tell the police that there were another 640 bottles under the cargo.

**EAST INDIES TRIAL
FLIGHTS.****BRITISH ATTITUDE ON
FACILITIES.**

London, Dec. 16.

In the House of Commons, in reply to questions, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary for India, stated that the Government of India had granted facilities for the Dutch East Indies air mail trial flights in 1929, but was unable to permit the use of the Indian air route permanently until the ground organization was complete.

Mr. Arthur Henderson said he had received a request from the Netherlands Minister in London for facilities for trial flights in 1930, and that this involved consultation with the Government of India.—*Reuter.*

**THAMES FLOODS
SUBSIDING.****MARGIN OF SAFETY ON
EMBANKMENT.**

London, Dec. 16.

The floods in the Thames Valley continued to recede rapidly today. A fall of over one foot in the river during the last 24 hours has been recorded at Molesey Lock, and the rate of flow also shows a big reduction.

High tide passed this afternoon, leaving a big margin of safety on the Thames Embankment, where flooding occurred last year.—*British Wireless.*

**FIERCE STORMS
ENDED.****FRENCH LIGHTHOUSE
RELIEF.**

Paris, Dec. 16.

The black flag denoting distress, flying at the lighthouse of Lavielle for a week of the fiercest storms, frustrating the most courageous efforts of rescuers to approach, has at length been hauled down. A relief vessel, rudderless and battered, has succeeded in passing food in waterproof sacks from a distance of twenty yards.—*Reuter.*

Mr. W. Schofield, who resumed the office of Kowloon Magistracy on his return from leave recently, has been transferred to another Department and his place has been taken by M. T. S. Whyte Smith, who adjudicated during Mr. Schofield's absence.

**SIGNED A BLANK
PAPER.****UNUSUAL MONEY LENDING
CASE IN COURT.****SALT IN PAYMENT.**

An alleged agreement in which a Chinese signed a piece of paper bearing a stamp, but no writing, in return for which he received \$50 from an Indian moneylender and for which he was to pay back 43 piculs of salt in full settlement of principal and interest, was mentioned during the course of an action before the Pulane Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) in the Supreme Court this morning.

The plaintiff was Bhag Singh, of the Rope factory, Mautaukok, who, through his attorney, Amrik Singh, sued Cham Chuen and Ah Sum, husband and wife, claiming \$108, being his \$100 money lent under a promissory note dated April 13, 1929, and \$8, being four months' interest. Both parties conducted their own cases.

Amrik Singh stated that Bhag Singh sailed for India on December 2, but Cham Chuen declared that Bhag Singh was still in the Colony and appeared before the Court on Friday last.

His Lordship was unable to find any record of Bhag Singh's appearance and heard Cham Chuen explained that he had mistaken an Indian guard on the s.s. Tung On for Bhag Singh.

Defendant said that he signed a paper which was blank, except for a stamp, and it was agreed that he should give to Bhag Singh 43 piculs of salt in full settlement.

His Lordship pointed out that Bhag Singh was not present and the Court could not hear his version. His Lordship found that defendant was not liable on the note at all and if plaintiff wished to proceed again when he returned he could not sue to recover more than \$50. Judgment would be given for defendant.

HEROIN PILLS.**JUNK MISTRESS HEAVILY
FINED.**

A fine of \$500, with the alternative of three months' hard labour, was imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when the mistress of a trading junk appeared on remand on a charge of being in possession of 200,000 heroin pills.

Mr. H. A. Taylor appeared in Court this morning following his Worship's request yesterday for further information as to the danger of the pills. The Monopoly Analyst informed his Worship that anything which contained heroin constituted dangerous drug, and he added that the pills in Court not only contained heroin but also strychnine, which in itself, was very dangerous.

Mr. Taylor intimated that the pills were valued at \$40 per tin, wholesale price, the entire quantity being worth \$80.

THE SOVIET WAY.**DEATH SENTENCES FOR
TRADE UNIONISTS.**

Riga, Dec. 16.

The trial has concluded at Ekaterinova, in Russia, of twenty-eight Trade Union officials and peasants who were charged with opposing the Soviet's present agricultural policy.

Six were sentenced to death and twelve to imprisonment, whilst M. Tizlov, the Chairman of the Agricultural and Timber Workers' Union, was condemned to five years' solitary confinement and loss of civil rights.—*Reuter.*

RUSSIA AND TURKEY.**KEMAL AND KARAKHAN
HAVE LONG TALK.**

Constantinople, Dec. 16. Following a two-hours audience of Mustafa Kemal Pasha, M. Karakhan, the Soviet envoy from the Foreign Commissariat, it was learned that the Turko-Russian Pact of friendship is being renewed on the same lines as before. Great importance is attached to the conversations to-day. The Pact is to be signed to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

COLDER WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the northern depression is now central over the Sea of Japan. The depression over S.W. China has filled up. An anticyclone has formed over N. China. The monsoon will set in again along the S.E. coast of China. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—Light E. or N.E. winds, freshening; generally overcast, some drizzle or mist, colder.

**DESTITUTE LAMA'S
LONG WALK.****2,000 MILE TREK DOWN
TO HONGKONG.****GETS SUCCOUR HERE.**

There recently arrived here an individual dressed in the robes of a lama, none too clean, but nevertheless in a good state of preservation. In his peregrinations through the town he was followed by a small boy, to all appearances a tiny edition of himself. The pair attracted much notice, and, when last seen, before being taken into custody by the police, were holding forth to a crowd on the properties of some medicine which they were endeavouring to sell at what would have been ridiculous prices if the medicine was what it was claimed to be.

While retained in police custody it was noticed that the lama hugged closely unto himself a sort of religious staff, very richly carved and with the figure of a pensive Buddha surmounting the top. He displayed much apprehension over its safety, seemingly reluctant to part with it, until reassured by the police that it would be returned to him at the proper time.

Meanwhile the police enquired into his case, and ascertained that he was a pilgrim who had come down all the way from Szechuan to worship at a shrine at Canton. He claimed for his staff the magic effect of warding off all evils in the form of man, beast and monster, but it is rather thought that his ragged appearance had been his best means of protection against the most potential of enemies—the bandit—in the 2,000 miles of his journey from the interior.

Now utterly destitute, he has been endeavouring to raise, by the sale of his medicine, the wherewithal to return to Shanghai. The authorities have found him a deserving case, and while committing him to the care of the Tung Wah Hospital, have made him a small initial grant for his passage to the Northern port.

**THE R100'S FIRST
FLIGHT.****AIRSHIP REMAINS ALOFT
FOR SIX HOURS.****GIVES SATISFACTION.**

London, Dec. 16.

The airship R100 made a successful maiden flight to-day.

After leaving the hangar at Howden, Yorkshire, she remained in the air for six hours and was tested with satisfactory results at varying heights and speeds, generally cruising at about 70 miles an hour before descending at Cardington, where she was locked to the mooring tower previously used by the R101.

The new airship left her shed at Howden at 6 a.m. in fine weather.

Five hundred soldiers hauled the airship out, and a large crowd of spectators cheered the start. The shed permits of so little clearance for the vast ship, which is 709 feet long, with 133 feet beam and 133 feet high, that three or four minutes' time was necessary

**RECENT RAILWAY
INCIDENT.****CASE TO BE HEARD ALL
OVER AGAIN.****R. O. TALLON CHARGED.**

On the resumption, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, of the summonses in which Revenue Officer Tallon is charged with assault on employees of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, it was intimated that the proceedings, part of which had been taken by Mr. Schofield, would have to be commenced again.

Arising out of the original summons, Revenue Officer Tallon cross-examined an engine driver and two firemen of the Railway for being in possession of illicit opium.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall is appearing for the Railway workers, while Mr. L. R. Andrews is watching on behalf of the Crown.

His Worship:—I suppose we shall have to begin all over again?

Mr. Rendall:—Yes; I don't know who arranges all these matters, but it's a waste of time for my witness.

His Worship:—I haven't read through the depositions and possibly I had better not treat it as an absolutely new case. I don't know if it requires an opening again.

Mr. Andrews:—No. Are you going to continue the case or what?

His Worship:—I am going to begin it again.

Mr. Andrews recalled a case at Home where a judge died before the hearing was concluded and the new judge continued with the case.

His Worship:—You haven't got that authority?

Mr. Andrews:—No; unfortunately I have not looked it up. I can get it, though. Still, it will waste the morning if I do. You see, this is not my case and it does not concern me.

Mr. Rendall mentioned that the case had already been before the Court for some time and thought that they should take no risks of further delay. He suggested that they should take the case all over again.

The case was accordingly recommenced, Mr. Rendall calling Mr. James Smith, of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, to give evidence of finding a broken steam-engine on the engine on which the alleged incident took place. The witness repeated his previous evidence.

The hearing will be continued this afternoon.

In bringing the airship out, and the soldiers received full instructions regarding their duties before Commander Scott and Squadron-Leader Booth, with a crew of 44, went aboard the vessel. There was no hitch in the arrangements. Within eight minutes of the first orders being given through a megaphone, the vessel had cleared the structure.

She glided out "tail" first. Gradually the R100 began to rise, and moved off in westerly direction. Before she was out of sight she wheeled round, and at a height of about 1,000 feet again flew over her mast and performed various evolutions.

The R100 is equipped with six Rolls Royce engines with a total of 4,200 horsepower. Her sister ship, the R101, which is of same capacity—five million cubic feet—is driven by five Beardmore Diesel engines 2,925 horsepower. There are several other respects in which the two vessels differ but the chief difference is in the fuel used, the R101 consuming heavy oil and the R100 petrol.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

**LADY MOTORIST
PROSECUTES.****PUBLIC DRIVER GUILTY OF
"CUTTING IN."****SIX-WEEKS SENTENCE.**

How the driver of a public car cut in between her and a lorry in Chater Road was described by Mrs. Mary Bertha Barker, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a Chinese was charged with driving a car in a dangerous manner.

Inspector Alexander said that on December 6, Mrs. Barker was driving her car along Chater Road and when near Murray Road slowed up behind a motor lorry, when defendant cut in between the two vehicles.

Mrs. Barker, in corroboration, said she was proceeding in her car along Chater Road between 3.30 and 4 p.m. on December 6, and was driving in the direction of the Dockyard. She was going to turn right into Queen's Road when she saw the lorry coming from the Praya, and she immediately dragged into second gear, sounded her horn and put out her right hand as a signal. She crept round the corner behind the lorry and then began to accelerate to get into top gear again, but was prevented from doing so by the defendant, who cut in from behind her, between her car and the lorry.

Defendant denied this and said that Mrs. Barker was stationary on the left hand side of Murray Road. She stooped down over her car, appearing to be changing gear.

Inspector Alexander said that the man was before his Worship in October last on a charge of negligent driving.

In convicting the defendant, Mr. E. W. Hamilton remarked:—"You public motor drivers are getting worse and worse in your driving." He inflicted a fine of \$50 or two months' imprisonment, but subsequently amended the alternative sentence to one of six weeks.

**RAILWAY BRIDGE
DAMAGE.****TRAINS FROM KOWLOON TO
SHEK LUNG.**

Canton, Dec. 16.

It is reported here that General Lam Tsun-hang has successfully suppressed bandits in the East River District. This is gratifying in view of the fact that the blowing up of the Shik Ha railway bridge on the Canton-Kowloon Railway on Friday was put down to bandits. However, others state that the bridge was blown up by the troops of General Hau King-tong.

The Canton Gazette, in referring to the suppression of the bandits, does not comment on the blowing up of the bridge, but merely states that the railway service between Canton and Kowloon has been suspended owing to damage on the rails near Shek Ha Station.

In the meantime, the Railway Administration has arranged to run one train daily in each direction, from Canton to Siu Tsun and from Shek Lung to Kowloon, but this leaves a break of 11.35 miles between Siu Tsun and Shek Lung.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

SESSIONS CALENDAR.**THERE ROBBERY CASES ON
THE LIST.**

There are three robbery cases down for trial at this month's Criminal Sessions which open at the Supreme Court to-morrow, all of which will be taken, by the Pulane Judge (Mr. Justice Wood). Ho Kai-shing will be charged that, with others unknown, on May 30, he robbed Cheung Mo-shing of a gold chain with two locks, a medallion with one gold coin attached, eleven bangles, one clasp, one pearl ornament, twenty ear-rings, nine rings, eight gold coins and \$200 in money.

An allegation that with others unknown he committed a robbery on November 8, at Jardine's Bazaar, is made against Ip To, alias To Tak. According to the prosecution, he is alleged to have robbed Ng Yung of \$30 in money, and Lam Kam of a gold chain, a gold bracelet, a gold finger ring, a wrist watch, a gold watch, a whistle, two pairs of gold ear-rings and \$40 in money. A charge of aiding and abetting is made against Lo Jeuk.

There are five accused concerned in the third case. Of these, Tong Ming, Tong Leung, Mak Kwan and Tong Sam, are charged that, with others unknown, on October 6, at Canton Road, Kowloon, they robbed Chan Sz of two bangles. Li King is charged with aiding and abetting.

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GARRISON NEWS.

LATEST POSTINGS NOTIFIED.

Captain K. A. T. McLennan, K.O. S.B., at present a student at the Staff College, has been posted to the 2nd Battalion of his Regiment and will join them in India at Poona during this trooping season.

Lieut. H. H. Johnson, R.A., has been posted to Hongkong from Singapore, and will join the H. K. S. Brigade, R.A.

Lieut. J. E. Spedding, R.A., from the South Irish Coast Defences, has been posted for duty with the H.K.S. Bde., R.A.

Captain D. H. G. McCrick, Somerset Light Infantry, who has vacated the appointment of Staff Captain, Sind Infantry Brigade, has been posted to the 1st Battalion at Home, and is attached pending a vacancy in the Battalion.

Lieut. R. W. Stephens, S.L.I., who has vacated the appointment as R.T.O. Rhine Army, has been posted to the 1st Battalion Somerset Light Infantry, and will leave for Hongkong in January of next year.

Football.

The following have been selected for the annual charity match for the Navy versus the Army at Sookunpou on Thursday afternoon—Jarvis, McGregor, Jones, Pugsley, Tilley, Sturdivant, Van Tromp, Firth, Cann, Dickinson.

The General Officer Commanding the Troops in China (Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.) has kindly consented to kick-off. Massed bands of H.M.S. Kent, Cornwall and Hermes, by the kind permission of the Captains of the ships, will play.

Yesterday's Matches.

At Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, Headquarters Wing, K.O.S.B., ran out comfortable winners by four goals to nil.

Teams: H.Q. Wing, K.O.S.B.—Boyes, Crow, Bond, Riordan, Gardiner, Skiggs, Sawyers, Rhodes, Crawley, Milligan, Hyde.

20 (H) Bty., R.A.—Naylor, Rabone, Ashbone, Gurst, Dunning, Taylor, Stanton, Rogers, Trevett, Leary, Fleming.

In this match in the Hongkong Area Football League, the winners had all the best of the play, and deserved their win. The first goal came from Hyde. Pressure on both wings, made good ground for the Borderers, and Rhodes got past the defence to score. After the interval, Rhodes scored again for the Borderers, and Sawyer obtained the last goal.

H.Q. Wing, S.L.I. v R.A.M.C.

The Medicals were not at full strength yesterday afternoon at Sookunpou when they lost to Headquarters Wing, S.L.I., by three goals to nil.

Teams: H.Q. S.L.I.—Wallace, Green, Niel, Hooker, Heywood, Bristol; Guest, Hall, Early, Baggett, Hancock. R.A.M.C.—McGowan, McLeary, Joyce, McGuire, Daddison, Thomas, Elliott, Gough, Jenkins, Devlin, Evans.

Early, true to his name, was the first to score after five minutes with a shot that McGowan might have held. The Somersets scored an easy goal through Hancock, who shot into an empty goal when McGowan had come out to clear. No further score occurred in the first half. After the interval, the Medicals commenced pressure, and forced two corners in quick succession, without result. Hancock scored his sides' last goal with a rather deceiving shot that got to the right-hand corner of the net. Although the Medicals put up a stout defence, they were always unfortunate in their attacks, and Wallace had a comfortable afternoon, being only tried once, a shot from Jenkins making him give a corner.

31 (H) Bty., R.A. v "B" Coy., K.O.S.B.

At Chatham Road, the Gunners trounced the Borderers by seven goals to one, though many rushes by the latter looked like scoring more than their lone goal. A strong team from the Gunners was the deciding factor.

Teams: (H) Bty., R.A.—Maltby, Oliver, Seal, Hall, Fletcher, Joyce; Cotton, Leach, Gill, Davey, A. N. Other.

"B" Coy., K.O.S.B.—Westland; Dowsey, Anderson; Aitken, McLaughlin, Mills; Keown, Cook, McFarlane, Dignan, A. N. Other.

Dowsey handled the ball in the penalty area, and Leach took the spot-kick but failed to score. The kick was re-taken, through a K.O.S.B. player rushing into the penalty-area, and Leach made no mistake the second time, and later scored a second good goal. A good goal for the Gunners, with the Borderers standing still appealing for off-side, closed the first half.

Dowsey pluckily robbed Leach of the ball in the first minute of the second half, after the last-named had made a good dribble through, and a raid by the Borderers gave Maltby an opportunity to show his capabilities at a shot by Dignan. McFarlane hit the upright when the Gunners recommenced their pressure, but a goal from Roger settled the issue for the Borderers, whilst Gill scored again for the Gunners soon afterwards. McFarlane scored the Borderers' only goal after a brilliant solo effort, beating both backs before shooting. The

CARNERA UNPOPULAR.

PRIMITIVE FURY HAS A BAD EFFECT.

London, Dec. 16. The floodlights of favourable publicity which were recently turned on Carnera released a tidal wave of popularity which is now fast subsiding.

Hailed by short-sighted critics as the boxing sensation of the century, Carnera's fight against Strickling on October 17 and December 7 stripped him of every boxing attribute. Now an influential chorus of opinion is that his primitive displays of fury should rule him out from English rings.

Lord Lansdale declares the British Boxing Board should not put Carnera in the ring against the German heavy-weight Diener at the Albert Hall tomorrow, as he does not conform with our idea of how a fighting man should behave. Simultaneously, a Sunday newspaper featured an article appealing to the Home Secretary to debar Carnera. It is noteworthy that Carnera was booked for a charity performance last night at the London Hippodrome. His name was in the programme, but he received a last-minute telephone message cancelling his turn, as the Hippodrome was unable to get the Lord Chamberlain's permission.

His manager has procured a shrill whistle to obviate a repetition of the incidents of December 7, hitting after the bell sounds, to-morrow.—Reuter.

LOCAL YACHTING.

THE FOURTH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

The fourth Ladies' Championship race of the R.H.K.Y.C. was sailed yesterday, the course being: Channel Rocks (S), Mark on Line (S), Kowloon Rock (S), Channel Rocks (S); distance 7.4 miles. The results follow:

"H" Class Started 3 p.m.

Yacht.	Finish.	Correct.	Position.
La Linda	4:56.54	4:56.17	3
Diana	4:57.03	4:54.35	2
Colleen	5:02.19	4:57.23	4
Dorthea	4:58.59	4:53.26	1

"I" & "G" Started 3.05 p.m.

Daphne	5:09.48	Scratch	5
Why Wonder	5:16.31		6
Wings	5:04.43		4
Bluenose	5:08.28		3
Boojum	5:08.23		1
Speedwell	5:02.09		2
Adanne	5:13.52		7

SCHOOL FOOTBALL.

CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOLS' TEAM RECORD.

The Central British School football team have played ten matches this term, winning four, losing four and drawing two. The results of the matches played to date are as follows:

Team	Goals For.	Goals Against.
Band Boys, S.L.I. (D)	2	2
No. 2 Platoon, S.L.I. (W)	5	2
D.B.S. (W)	1	0
No. 2 Platoon, S.L.I. (L)	2	3
D.B.S. (L)	0	6
No. 2 Platoon, S.L.I. (W)	3	1
St. Joseph's College, Form 3 (D)	2	2
Band Boys, S.L.I. (W)	5	3
St. Joseph's College, Form 3 (L)	2	7
Marines, H. M. S. Connaught (L)	3	4

NEW CARDINALS.

SIX MORE CREATED BY THE POPE.

Rome, Dec. 16. The Pope in a secret Consistory has created six new Cardinals, namely the Archbishops of Paris, Palermo, Genoa, Armagh and Lisbon and Mgr. Facelli, the Papal Nuncio at Berlin.—Reuter.

Gunners' last goal was scored by Joyce, who got past the backs to give Westland no chance.

Navy Matches. In the China Fleet Football League yesterday afternoon, H.M.S. Cornwall beat H.M.S. Thracian by the only goal scored. Teams:

Cornflower—Sullivan; Little, Moore; Pawson, Childs, Boam; Sipple, Adams, Baker, Williams, Bennett. Thracian—Stratford; Hayes, Sloan; Clarke, Baker, Wallington, Brady; Birrell, Ward, Skeats, Morris.

No score was made in the first half, though both sides had tried to get past the defence, Williams scoring towards the end of the second half with a fast shot.

Another China Fleet Football League match at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon resulted in Peterborough beating Somers by three goals to nil. Lowe, and Mayne (2) scored goals for the winners in a fast but not very interesting match.

TALENTED ARTISTES.

TO APPEAR AT REPULSE BAY & OTHER HOTELS.

An unusually attractive and interesting diversion for guests and patrons of Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be provided in the persons of Mr. Laszlo Schwartz and Miss Dawn Assheton who arrived in Hongkong to-day.

Mr. Schwartz is a Hungarian violinist-composer and Miss Assheton a coloratura soprano and an actress, the latter a rare and charming combination. They are scheduled to appear at Repulse Bay Hotel on December 21, the Peninsula Hotel on December 26, and the Hongkong Hotel on December 27. Their act will last for an hour, and will be interspersed with dancing. During the act the two will render classical and jazz songs, including a number of Mr. Schwartz's personal compositions which have been successful in many parts of the world.

Interviewed by a Telegraph representative at the Hongkong Hotel to-day, Mr. Schwartz proved to be a most interesting gentleman, cultured, and widely travelled. He has gained a considerable reputation as a journeyman as well as a musician and his articles have been printed at great length in leading American and Australian newspapers.

Miss Assheton was for a number of years on the Australian stage, where she was extremely successful. She is a charming Englishwoman with a fine voice and an attractive stage personality.

ARSON ATTEMPT.

STAIRS OF HOUSE SET ON FIRE.

An attempt by some unknown person to set fire to a house in Park Street, Yau-mat, early this morning, was frustrated by the inmates, who dealt with the outbreak in a very prompt manner.

Fung Lung, a married woman, in reporting the incident to the police, stated that about 1 o'clock this morning she discovered that the stairs in her residence was alight, the fire apparently having been caused by somebody who ignited some oil and papers. Practically no damage was caused.

SHARE PRICES

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1315 1320 ss.
Chartered Bank, 119 b.
Mercantile & B., \$307 n.
East Asia \$95 b.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$635 ss.
Union Ins., \$357 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$2 n.
China Fire, \$310 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$815 n.

Shipping.
Douglas, \$25 ss.
H. K. Steamships, \$277 b.
H. K. Tugs, \$2. n.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$70 n.
Union Waterbushes \$22 n.

Mining.
Bonguots, \$4.70 b.
Kallans, 60/- n.
Langkots, Tls. 13.60 n.
Sha's Explorations, Tls. 1.30 n.
Rauhs, \$11.20 n.
Tronohs, 21/- b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$145 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$321 b.
China Providents \$5.35 ss.
Hongkows, Tls. 190 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 7.50 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.60 ss.
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 77 (old) b.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$11.70 ss.
H. K. Lands, \$64 ss.
S'hai Lands Tls. 161 n.
Humphreys, \$14.50 ss.
Realities, \$7.90 b.

Chinese Estates \$98 f.
Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$181/19 ss.
Peak Trams, (old) \$11.75 n.
Star Ferries, \$391 n.
China Lights, (old) \$16.40 ss.
H. K. Electric, \$641 b.
Macao Electric, \$23 b.
Telephones \$7.80 b.

China Buses, Tls. 151 b.
Singapore Traction, 10/- ss.
Industrials.
China Sugars, 90 n.
Malabons, \$27 n.
Cold Macg. Ord, Tls. 11 n.
Canton Ice, \$2.50 n.
Cements (Comb.) \$12.70 b.

Ropes (Old) \$71 ss.
United Abestos \$5 b.
Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$207 n.
Watsons, \$12 ss.
Der A. Wings, 80 n.
Lane Crawford, \$1.75 n.
Macintoshes, \$18 b.
Sinceres, \$12 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$281 ss.
Constructions, \$130 b.
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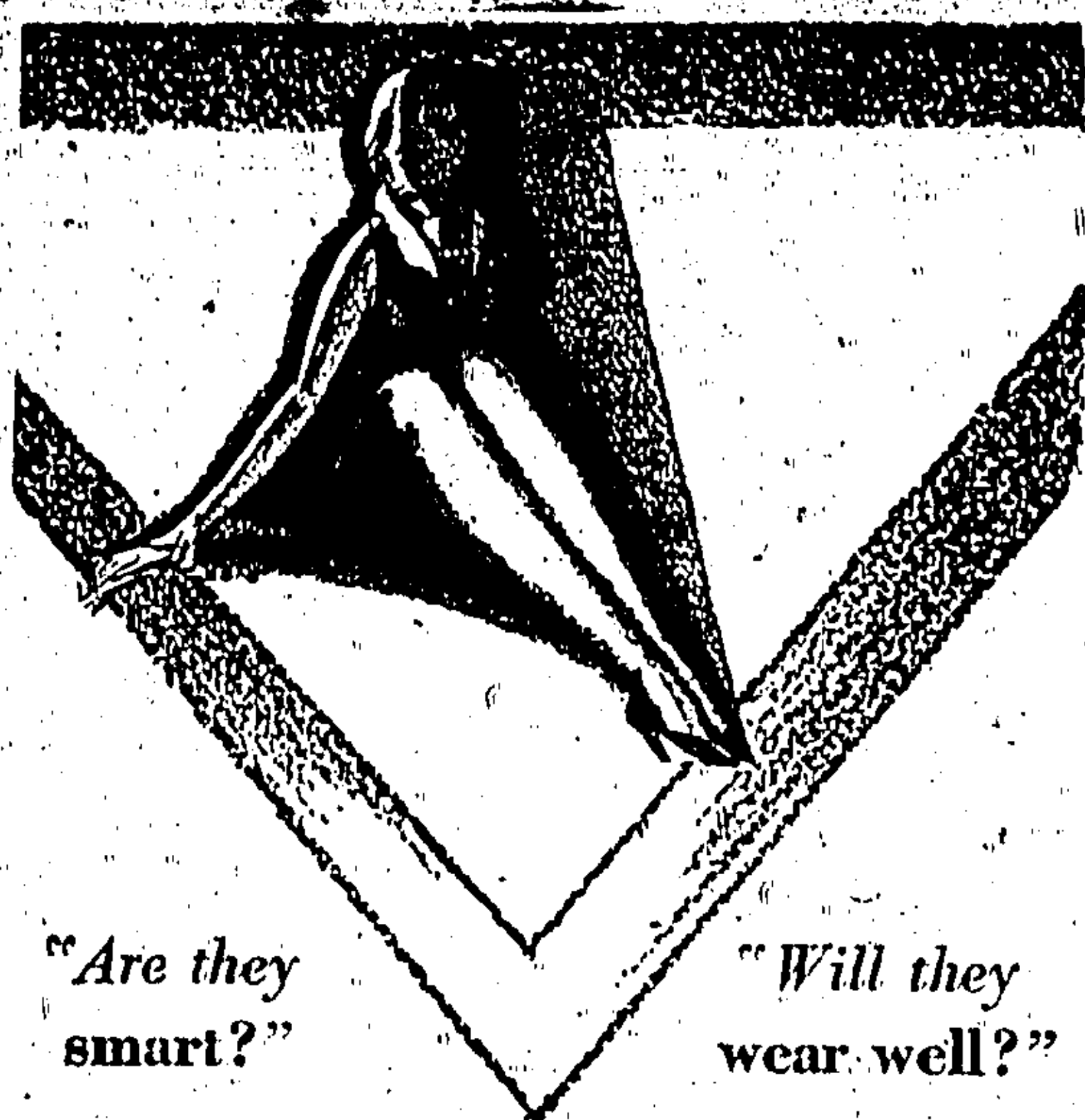
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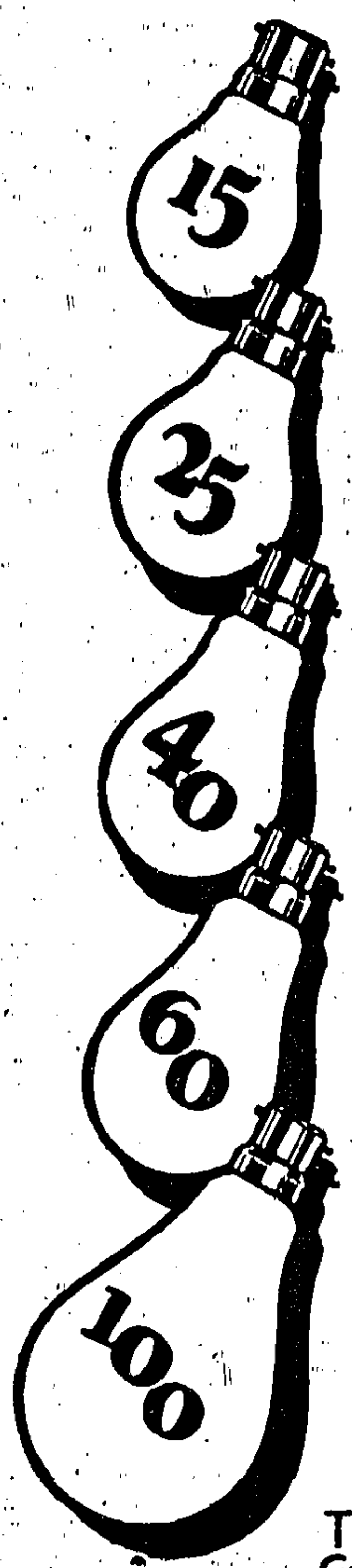
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WAH YAN COLLEGE.

CELEBRATION OF TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

To mark the tenth anniversary of the foundation of the Institution, the Director and Staff of the Wah Yan College entertained a large number of friends to dinner last night within the spacious Hall of the College at Robinson Road. The gathering sat down to an excellent Chinese meal, the function being enlivened by an orchestra.

Mr. P. Tsui, the founder of Wah Yan College ten years ago, in the course of a short address in which he expressed thanks to those present for taking part in the celebration, gave a short history of the College. He said:

The Wah Yan College had its cradle at No. 50, Hollywood Road, consisting of one flat, one teacher and four boys. At the end of one year the number of pupils went up to 100, occupying four flats. In 1921, a proper school building at Robinson Road was rented and the number on the roll was 400. In 1924 a branch was opened at Kowloon. Gradually there was an increase in both pupils and teachers, and now there are 800 boys, including 100 boarders, on this side and 300 on the mainland, and a staff of 45. To accommodate this number we have to occupy the St. Joseph's Mansion and the Wah Yan College Building at Robinson Road, and the Wah Yan College Kowloon Branch Building at Nelson Street, Kowloon. So much for the physical growth of the college.

Growth of the College.

The intellectual growth of the college may be shown by the results of the Local University Examinations. Up to 1928 the passes were 56 Matriculations, including five Honours, 86 Seniors and 165 Juniors. Wah Yan boys have also been awarded the King Edward VII. scholarship, the Government Educational scholarship, and Government Student-ships.

Who are responsible for the rapid growth of the college? It is certainly not I. Wah Yan owes its development to: (1) the charitable Catholic missionaries who are always prepared to help those who are in need (they have been helping Wah Yan since it was two months old); (2) the generous local Government whose educational representatives are always keeping a watchful eye on all schools and ever ready to help those that deserve assistance; (3) the staunch loyalty and support of a truly hard-working staff whose valuable services I have been fortunate enough to secure.

I must not forget to mention that many of our teachers were educated in the Christian Brothers' schools. I myself learned school management mostly from Rev. Bro. Almar, Director of St. Joseph's College, who, I am sorry to say, is unable to join us this evening. I am also glad to say that with the help of the Italian and the Jesuit Fathers the college has been the means of bringing to the knowledge of many of its pupils the wonderful ideals of Christianity.

And now, Gentlemen, I must conclude. I fervently hope that fifteen years hence, when Wah Yan celebrates its silver jubilee, I shall be alive to welcome you again in a more spacious hall and amid happier surroundings.

Bishop Valtorta's Remarks.

The Right Rev. Bishop Valtorta said that it seemed to him but yesterday that Mr. Tsui came to his predecessor and Father Maria asking their support for a scheme regarding a school which he was proposing to start. That support was very readily given, but they never thought that the School was going to grow so much. Mr. Tsui, he was glad to say, had been extremely successful, and that was due to his great ability, to his great work, and to his great luck. He had been very lucky in finding very great help from the Government, and also in earning the goodwill of their friend, Mr. Ralphs. He had also been very lucky in being able to extend the school premises on all sides, surmounting much that was difficult in a difficult site. With the College bursting through its limits, he had also been able to find a safety valve in the Wah Yan College Branch at Kowloon. (Laughter.)

Concluding, Bishop Valtorta asked the gathering to join with him in congratulating Mr. Tsui and his staff for their work and wishing every success for the future of the College. (Applause.)

Small Beginnings.

Mr. E. Ralphs, in a happy speech, recalled the small beginnings from which the College grew when ten years ago it started as a tiny school with four pupils in a flat at Hollywood Road. As the College gradually expanded in the number of its pupils, Mr. Tsui, the founder, was confronted with a financial problem which made him spend many sleepless nights. (Laughter.) It was no secret now to recall that critical moment when Mr. Tsui, while being faced

COURT SENSATION.

DEPUTY'S INSTRUCTIONS OVER-ruLED BY JUDGE.

A final hearing was set for last week in the criminal action instituted in the Shanghai Provisional Court by Anderson, Meyer & Co., Ltd. against Chen Tze-hsun, of the Heng Loon Bank, for alleged fraud in connection with a mortgage covering all of the assets of the Heng Dah Cotton Mill in Pootung, including the mill power plant and machinery, which, under the terms of the contract of sale, was still the property of Anderson, Meyer & Co., Ltd.

Judge C. S. Franklin, of Fleming, Franklin & Allman, appeared on behalf of Anderson, Meyer & Co., and with him was associated Mr. Wang Yu-fing, ex-Minister of Justice.

When the Court opened the attorneys for the defendant produced a telegram which they had received from the defendant from Ningpo stating that he was sick and unable to be present and asking for an adjournment. Mr. Stevens, the American Consular Deputy, asked why the defendant had left the jurisdiction of the Court without the Court's permission while a criminal action in which he was involved was in process of trial.

The lawyer for the defence stated that the defendant's intention to visit Ningpo had been told to the Court and that the record of the hearing on November 19 would show such statement.

Mr. Stevens then called for the record and the statement referred to could not be found.

The Deputy's Order.

Mr. Stevens then announced the action of the defendant, in leaving without permission constituted contempt of court and was just another attempt to thwart the proper administration of justice. He instructed the police to effect the arrest of the defendant immediately upon his return to the jurisdiction of the Court and to keep him in detention until he had appeared before an American Consular Deputy.

The Chinese Judge announced that he did not agree with Mr. Stevens' ruling and instructed the police to disregard the same.

Mr. Stevens then stated that he desired to enter a protest against the change of two of the three Chinese Judges sitting in the case at the last moment, pointing out that the presiding Judge and one associate Judge then on the bench had not been present at any of the previous hearings of the case and were totally unfamiliar with what had transpired at such previous hearings.

Mr. Franklin then requested Mr. Stevens to report the afternoon's proceedings to the Commission now sitting in Nanking, in connexion with proposed changes in the Provisional Court and Mr. Stevens replied that not only the afternoon's proceedings but the entire case from beginning to end would be reported to such Commission as the case had been an open scandal for years.

with such a problem, had an offer made to him to take the School from his hands with his being continued as its Headmaster at a salary, which should have put an end to his financial troubles. It was to his lasting credit that Mr. Tsui came out with the decision to keep his colours nailed to the mast and to go down fighting if he did not succeed. He succeeded, to what extent they could gauge from the fact that the College, under his fostering care, had now grown into one of the largest institutions of its kind in Hongkong, with 800 boys on the roll of the main College in Hongkong, 300 in Kowloon, and a staff of 45 teachers. He (the speaker) was sure that the gathering would agree with him that Mr. Tsui had earned their warmest congratulations. They judged the efficiency of a College by its University examination results, and the account they had received of the success of the pupils in these examinations testified to the efficiency of the Wah Yan College. He (the speaker) would also add that the Wah Yan had earned very satisfactory reports for high efficiency from the Education Department.

Concluding, Mr. Ralphs extended the warmest congratulations to Mr. Tsui and the Headmaster, Mr. Lim, and paid a warm tribute to their ability.

Mr. Lim, the Headmaster, also spoke, as did an old pupil of the College.

A musical programme was rendered by Mr. Li Chor-oh, vocalist, and Mr. Longyear, who accompanied Mr. Li on the piano. This, as well as the orchestra selections, were much enjoyed by those present, who included the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and practically all the leading educationists of the Colony.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
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POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police, state:

Chinese Company.

Training Course.—The following members of the Chinese Company have been passed out as efficient in Part 1 of Training Course:—Constable R.79 Lo Tak Hoi, R.82 Cheng Ping Kwan, R.96 Edwin Howqua, R.97 Lam Ping and R.100 Chen Jown Che.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at Central Police Station on Thursday, December 19th at 5.30 p.m. sharp for squad drill under P/Sergeant R. J. Hunt, Dress—Muff.

New Territories Agricultural Show 1930.—The Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police accepts the voluntary service of the following Police Reservists for duty at the Agricultural Show at Sheung Shui on Saturday, January 4th and 5th:—The O. C., one Sub-Inspector, and 24 members of the Chinese Company on both days. Hours of duty and other details will be notified later.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, December 17th. Fall in at the Tsim-tan-tsu Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform, and Cap with White Cover.

The weekly instruction patrol of the Hongkong Section will take place on Friday, December 20th. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Strength.—Crown Sergeant R402 C. A. Grimes has been permitted to resign having completed one year's service, and on account of ill health, with effect from December 9th, 1929.

(Sd.) W. KENT, Adjutant.

BANDITS' CAPTIVE.

SEEN PREACHING WHEN UNDER RESTRAINT.

Up to November 21, all efforts to discover the whereabouts of Mr. Pike, who was captured by bandits on September 17, in the Honan region, had failed. Word was received in October by Mrs. Pike, through two Chinese servants who had accompanied Mr. Pike up to the time of his capture, that bandits had robbed him of his clothing and money and were treating him very badly, holding him for a ransom which he refused to promise. The Chinese were forbidden to go with Mr. Pike under penalty of death, and were driven away by threats with pointed pistols and by blows, although they desired to remain with their master.

On November 21, word was received that a Mohammedan woman had reported having seen Mr. Pike about the middle of October. He was standing in the middle of the market place in Chingshan with the bandits. His hands were bound with cords behind his back, but he was preaching to the crowd.

The officer in charge of the district reported that foreign clothing, and a saddle and horse had been seen about 40 li from Chingshan. It is thought that they may belong to Mr. Pike. Word has also been received that a detachment of soldiers, were sent out with eleven prisoners, and after two men were brought in, these men were said to be those who took Mr. Pike, but their leader had managed to escape.

SUCCESSFUL PUPILS.

FORMERLY AT CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

J. Vickers, who passed the Matriculation Examination, with honours, of the University of Hongkong in November 1927, and who was admitted to Liverpool University last year, has passed the Intermediate Examination, (Engineering) of the latter University. He is secretary of the University Swimming Club and was a member of the University team in the inter-universities team race, at Cardiff, Liverpool securing second place. He was chosen to play in a water-polo match, Northern V. Southern Universities and is in the 2nd XV Rugby team.

Joyce Raven, who went to The Godolphin School, Salisbury, has passed the School Certificate Examination, University of Cambridge Local Examinations, in the following subjects:—English, History, Geography, French, Oral and Written, Arithmetic, Botany and Music.

PIANO RECITAL.

YOUNG ENTERTAINERS DO EXCELLENTLY.

Youthful talent was well expressed in the pianoforte recital given yesterday afternoon, in the St. Andrew's Church Hall, by Mrs. J. R. Sulter's pupils, and these very promising young pianists gave an excellent entertainment which was enjoyed to the full by the large gathering present.

The programme might almost be described as ambitious, for it included works by Bach, Schubert, Offenbach, Rachmaninoff, Liszt, Mendelssohn, Chopin and Mozart, but Mrs. Sulter's clever pupils acquitted themselves admirably and gave really delightful treatment to some of these composers' popular scores.

It would be rather invidious to single out any particular student, for one and all, from the youngest, who played the beautiful old traditional tunes such as "Home Sweet Home," "Simple Duet" and "Comin Thro' the Rye," to the more advanced, who interpreted Offenbach's "Barcarolle," Elgar's "Salut d'Amour" and Liszt's "No. 13 Rhapsodie," revealed real talent, and were a great credit, not only to Mrs. Sulter, but to themselves.

Added enjoyment was lent to the entertainment by the appearance of Mrs. Gardiner, who sang "My Prayer" (Squire) and "Spring is Here" (Dick) extremely sweetly.

At the close of the programme, Mrs. E. Cook kindly presented the Trinity College of Music certificates to successful candidates.

Advice to Students.

In expressing thanks to her for doing so, and to Mrs. Sulter for arranging such an excellent musical treat, Mr. George Grimble said he had been asked "What was music?" and to that he replied that it was an art, but as an art, was unconquerable. He would like to give a few hints to the children that day. He advised them to work out a time-table and to use a note-book in which to chronicle their impressions of the music they were playing. They must practise hard, and try and dissect their music. If they experienced any particular difficulty they should practise one hand, and above all they must treat the piano as their friend. They must caress the notes and use their brains, fingers and the keyboard at the same time.

Referring to the successes of Mrs. Sulter's pupils at the local Trinity College examinations, Mr. Grimble pointed out that in the practical part, eleven were entered and nine passed; while in the theoretical part eight were entered and seven passed, two of them with honours. Isabel Pestonji topped the local list with 93 marks, and Bernard Bickford being third with 87 marks. In the preparatory division, two of the pupils topped the local list, with 86 marks each, these being Clement Leong and Eric Wood. Special mention was due to Mrs. Inouye, who was the only candidate to pass the senior theory examination, after four months tuition.

The pupils who performed a long and varied programme were as under:

Fuki Inouye, Sumito Ishizaka, Tommy Sulter, Andre Pestonji, Desmond Hooper, Peggy Macfadyen, Charlie Bander, John Green, Stella Bander, Sanae Ohta, Yasuki Mori, Jean Hooper, Mavis Glendinning, Shizuko Suzuki, Clement Leong, Edith Wood, Phyllis Teale, Kathleen Chester, Eric Wood, Agnes Leong, Marian Gardiner, Bernard Bickford, Beatrice Pestonji, Isabel Pestonji, Alice Wood, Joyce Paterson, Molly George, Joan Paterson, Doris Booker, and Margaret Eccleshall.

POLICE DANCE.

SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION AT LANE, CRAWFORD'S.

The Police carnival dance at Lane, Crawford's, restaurant last night was a great success in every way, and was much enjoyed. Prizes were awarded as follows: Spot waltz, Miss Henderson and Mr. Fallace.

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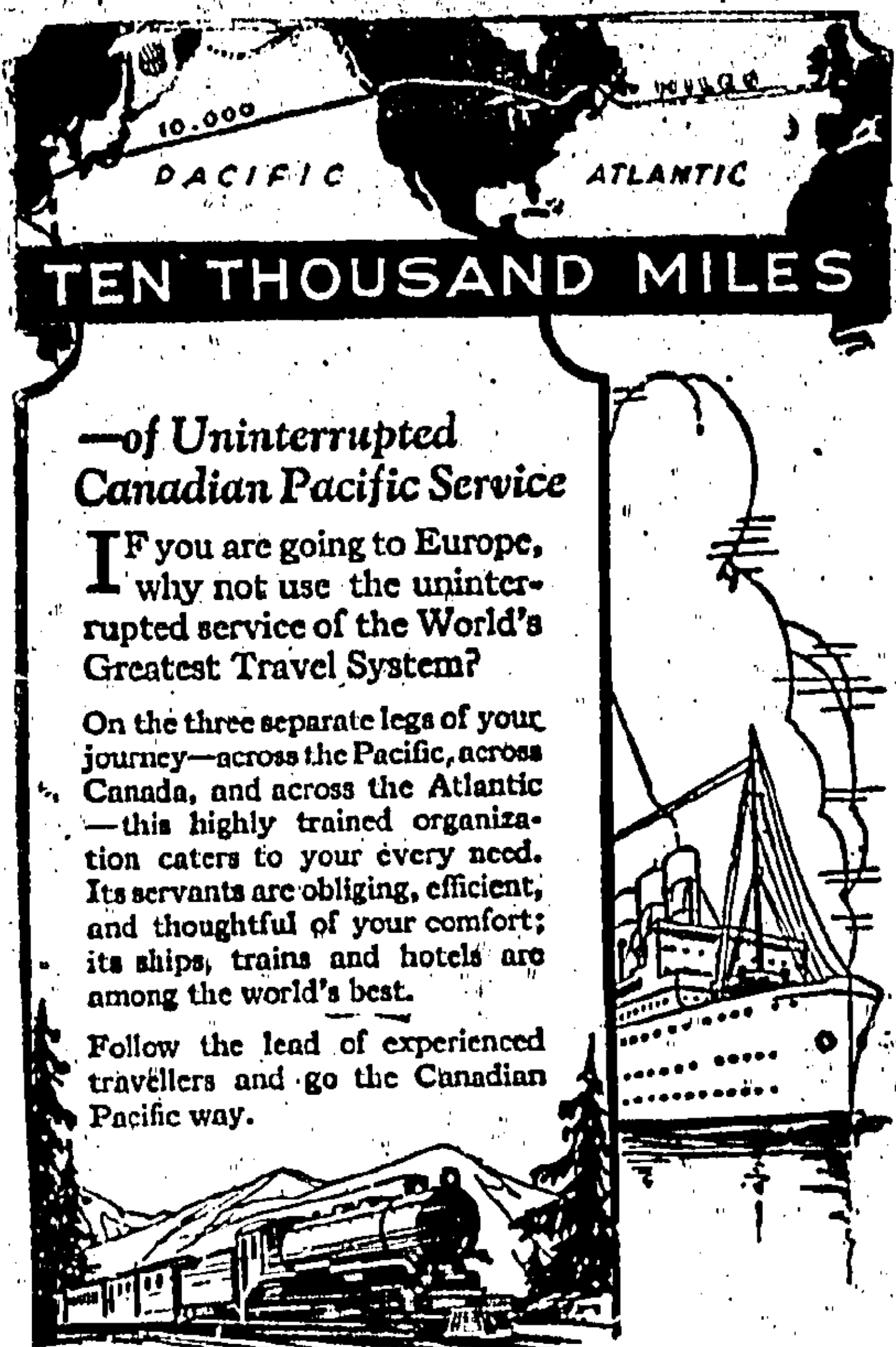
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TRAFFIC CASES.

SANITARY INSPECTOR CAUTIONED.

A charge of failing to have full control over his motor car was brought against Sanitary Inspector Frost, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Sub-Inspector Nicol appearing as the complainant.

In reply to his Worship as to whether he admitted or denied the charge, the defendant said that for two seconds he did not have full control over the vehicle.

Sub-Inspector Nicol said that the defendant had taken off his hat with his left hand and smoothed his hair with his right. The car swerved slightly but there was no other traffic on the road at the time.

His Worship: I saw a very well-known citizen going down Garden Road the other day and he took both his hands off the wheel and adjusted the glass screen in front?

Sub-Inspector Nicol: It amounts to the same thing, your Worship.

His Worship: I suppose it depends, to a certain extent, on the kind of car you are driving. On one car the steering is more...

Sub-Inspector Nicol: There's more play on some cars than on others and a heavy car is liable to hold the road better than a light car.

His Worship: What sort of a car was Mr. Frost's?

Defendant: G. W. K.

His Worship (to defendant): Was there any particular reason for taking both hands off?

Defendant: I think there was a slight mistake in Sub-Inspector Nicol's evidence. I put on my hat and pressed it down because it was windy. The car would not have shot off the road in that short space of time. The steering wheel is very stiff.

His Worship: There isn't much play?

Defendant: There's no play.

His Worship: Well, Mr. Frost, I think in future, unless it is absolutely necessary, you had better

keep both hands, or at least one hand, on the wheel. Cautioned.

Incident in Nathan Road.
An incident which occurred in Nathan Road shortly after eleven o'clock on the night of November 23, was recalled before Mr. Whyte Smith, when Mr. A. Gascon through the Police summoned the driver of one of the Blue Taxicabs for reckless driving, while the latter in turn summoned Mr. Gascon for assault.

The summons against the taxi driver, having been issued first, Mr. Gascon was called to give evidence. He said that he had left the Star Theatre and was proceeding along Nathan Road when, on reaching the junction of Kimberley Road, witness noticed the lights of a car approaching from the opposite direction.

Witness said that the car was travelling straight towards him, half of the roadway, it was explained, being under repair. Witness had to slow down considerably and when the approaching car was almost on top of him it swerved to the left. After it had passed witness turned his cycle round and stopped the driver.

Witness denied that he had assaulted the driver and mentioned that two Indian constables who later arrived on the scene examined the driver's face but found no marks.

The driver, in the witness box, alleged that when Mr. Gascon asked him for his licence, he said he was a Police Inspector. Witness saw that he was not in uniform and challenged the statement, whereupon he was struck in the face.

Mr. Gascon's Act Questioned.
When asked if he had any questions to ask the witness, regarding the statement that he was a police officer, Mr. Gascon replied that he told witness that he was a member of the Flying Squad.

His Worship: Does that give you the right to see people's licences?

Mr. Gascon: Well, I don't know about that.

His Worship: I should not think so.

His Worship asked Sub-Inspector Nicol if a member of the Flying

MISSIONARIES HELD.

CARRIED OFF BY "REDS" IN RAID ON TAYEH.

A body of Communists made a raid on Tayeh, 50 miles south-east of Hankow, on Friday, drove out the Government troops and occupied the town for three hours. The "Reds" were very well disciplined and there was no indiscriminate looting.

The Rev. H. W. A. Sandy, of the Wesleyan Mission, was captured, being carried off without his hat or coat, together with a magistrate. It is believed that the latter was afterwards released, but the Rev. Sandy is still held by the Communists, who are demanding a large ransom.

Another Missionary Seized.
Later.
A message from Hankow says the Reds also abducted Rev. E. H. Liversley, of the same mission, as Mr. Sandy, from Tayeh.—Reuter.

Squad had a right to ask for licences and was informed that they did if they were in uniform. It was pointed out that even regular police officers had no authority to ask for licences unless in uniform.

It was explained to his Worship by Mr. D. Ogilvie, First Clerk, that the driver had applied for a summons for assault two days after the incident but was advised to wait until he received notice of being summoned before taking action.

There being, no witnesses on either side his Worship dismissed both summonses. He said that the evidence had been uncorroborated.

Court Interpreter Fined.
Mr. S. Basilio, Filipino interpreter of the Kowloon Magistracy, appeared before his Worship on a charge of disobeying the signals of an Indian constable at the Star Ferry pier. The defendant, who was stated to have refused to move away from near the taxi stand, was fined \$5. His Worship pointed out that if everybody were to do the same the traffic at the ferry would be frightfully confused.

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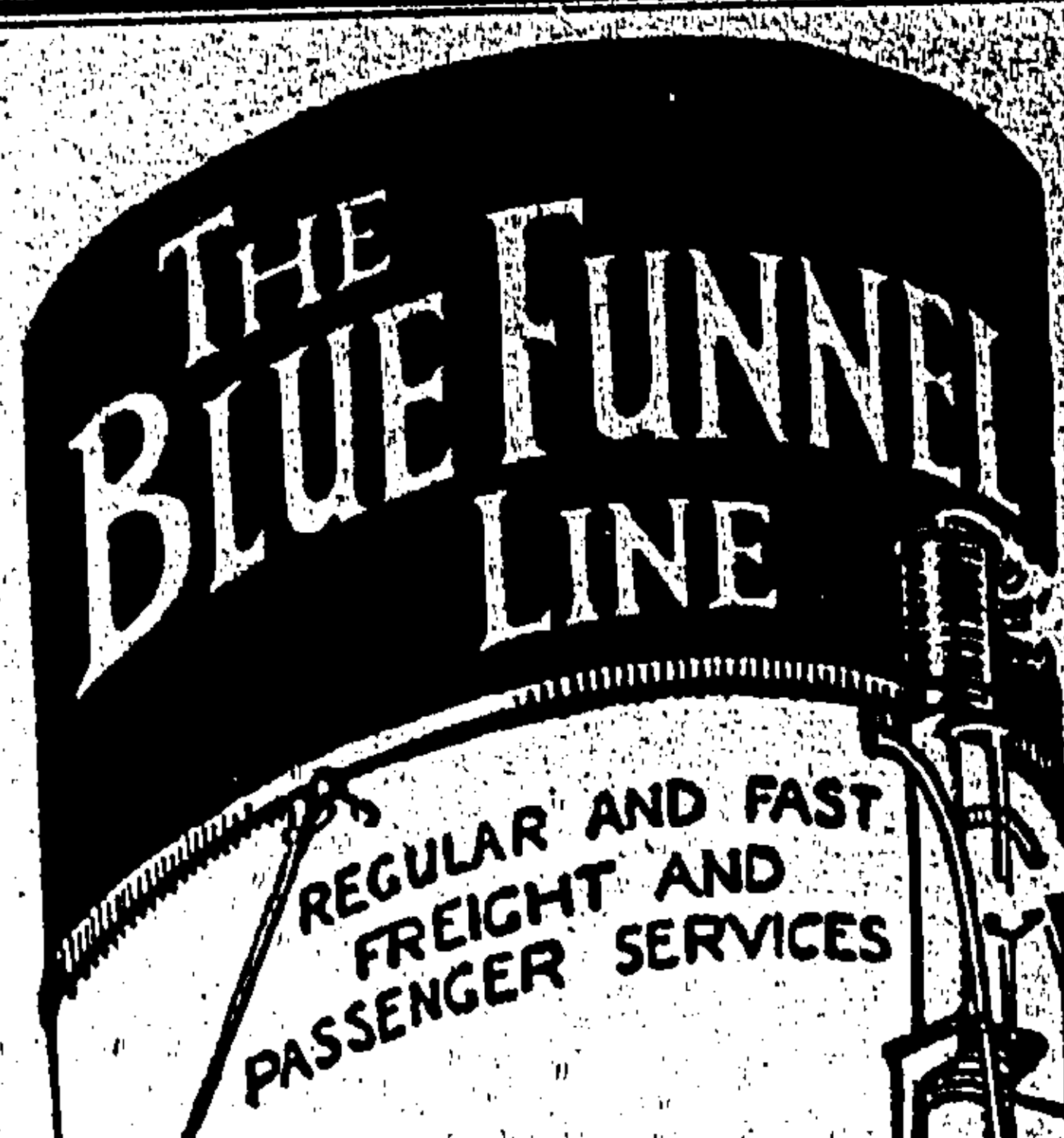
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BREWER CASE CONTINUED.

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promise to pay on demand, that was the effect of it?—Yes.

I think you will admit that the right of call on shares was converted to a call of payment on demand from any shareholders?—Assuming that the shareholder was a substantial person, yes.

Cash Transactions.

We are bound to assume that until his *bona fide* has been disproved. Supposing that the shareholder has paid cash across the counter and has obtained his share scrip. I think the share scrip will have a place where it is shown so much has been paid in advance of calls. Supposing he had paid money across the counter and supposing he had received a scrip that so much had been paid—so much in payment of calls. Supposing he had paid that money in notes and the notes were received back across the counter and the shareholder put those notes back in his pocket. The effect is that the shareholder has his scrip paid to the extent of the loan calls and the Company has an agreement to pay. Assuming that to be *bona fide*, we have a cash transaction there?—Yes.

It must be so, Mr. Ross?—Yes.

Supposing if the Company were to make a demand on the shareholder to purport to make a call—he might say; he might be justified legally in saying: "Look here, I have paid, having accepted the loans agreement in place of calls." That will be the answer?—Yes.

If it is the law that that transaction would be cash, if money is passed backwards and forwards over the counter in that way, if that is the law, that formality of passing cash can be dispensed with and the transaction can be a cash transaction, even if no money passed at all?—In that case a dollar note can be made always to pass round.

I am supposing that this is *bona fide*. It is a cash transaction, if the formality was dispensed with of passing the money forwards and backwards across the counter?—No, I cannot quite agree that it was a cash transaction. To say that the Company received 7½ lakhs from shareholders and they paid it back to the shareholders in one day. No, I cannot agree that it was a cash transaction. It would not be a genuine cash transaction.

We have got to assume that it is genuine (until it is disproved), in which case it can be a cash transaction?—Yes.

All those payments were treated in the books as cash?—Yes.

Assuming the transaction to be genuine, and having treated the payments as cash payments in the books, how else can they be treated in the Statutory Report than as such?—If they were genuine transactions, then the Report was treated correctly.

I take that point a little further. We put it as high as this: If they were genuine cash transactions and they had been treated in the Report otherwise, Mr. Brewer might have found himself in the dock on a charge of perjury the other way round?—That may be the law.

That is the law. He might have put himself in very great civil liability if he does not put in the Statutory Report what has been treated as cash in the books?

The Balance Sheet.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, Mr. Davidson asked witness: The

balance sheet is a document of considerable complexity—a document which requires an expert to prepare it?—Witness agreed that while it might require a person with special training to prepare it, it should not be unintelligible to every business man.

To anyone who knows about balance sheets, to you for instance? Mr. Ross, to the person of the smallest intelligence it is evident that "uncalled capital" depends on the financial position of the shareholder. I suggest that to put "uncalled capital" on the Assets side of the Balance Sheet is bad accounting, that is all?—It is very bad accounting.

We will compromise on "very bad accounting." You have been shown those applications for shares. A great point has been made on the fact that the agreement to make a deposit is left blank on those forms?—Yes.

Are you aware that it is provided in the Articles of the Company that the amount payable on the applications of shares shall not be less than 5 per cent.?—Witness agreed on being shown the Article in question.

The hearing was adjourned until this afternoon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per s.s. President Lincoln, December 15.—Mr. Alonzo R. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bartow, Mr. Ernest Boschman, Mr. Herbert C. Crabbe, Mr. E. J. Elstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Eastman, Mr. Eugene Goetschel, Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Harper, Miss Isobel Hower, Mr. James W. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Mack, Miss Freda S. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Shaw, Miss Frances C. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Griffith H. Wilkins, Mrs. Sue Ashbrook, Miss Mary W. Ashbrook, Mrs. Emilio U. De Jesus, Mrs. Margaret L. Paschal, Miss Gertrude True, Mr. Wadhwan D. Ramann, Mr. Ernest Berger, Mr. James L. Nicoll, Mr. Antonio Brimo, Lt. Cmdr. Douglas W. Coe, Mrs. Douglas W. Coe, Miss Josephine D. Coe, Miss Elizabeth D. Coe, Mr. Myron C. Ferry, Mr. Frank J. Monaghan, Mrs. A. L. Norris, Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Philip C. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. P. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel K. Jureidini, Miss Kathryn E. Jureidini, and Mr. William A. Smethurst.

Per s.s. Empress of Asia from Manila on Dec. 16.—Mr. B.M. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Bishop, Mrs. G.H. Blighett, Mr. M. Morales, Miss J.P. Crighton, Mr. D. Dufon, Mr. J.S. Ipekljan, Mr. R.C. Johnson, Mrs. J.E. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Mr. and Mrs. L.P. Hickey, Mr. J. Kroland, Mr. T. Yamamura, Mr. M. Tsunoda, Mr. P. Daniels, Mr. F. L. Laurence, Mr. P.H. Hartman, Col. S. Rober, Mr. H.S. Rober, Mrs. L.L. Rose, Mr. L. Rose, Mr. S. Li Carreon, Mrs. Cheng Chin Wah, Miss Lam Hang, Mr. A.C. Cooper, Miss Kwan Shee, Mrs. Lay Yip, Miss Line Ho, Mr. Lo Lee, Mr. H. Whited, Rev. A. Armendariz, Mr. H. Uebing, Miss N. Ganin, Mrs. G.F. Mosher, Mr. I. Sugawara, Mr. T. Sugawara, Mr. S. Sugawara, Miss I. Sugawara, Mr. J. Black, Capt. J.A. Houston.

Per s.s. Taiyo Maru, from Shanghai, December 16.—Mr. D. Karagay, Mrs. M. P. Karagay, Miss A. Karagay, Mr. F. Santos, Miss F. G. Hardy, Mr. L. D. Harris, Mrs. T. K. Harris, Miss M. E. Harris, Master D. J. Harris, Master G. A. Harris, Mr. Ung Sing, Mr. Ung Jun, Mr. Wong Kwok Seng, Mr. H. Aracian, Mrs. R. D. Aracian, Miss A. Aracian, Master G. Aracian, Miss M. Aracian, Mrs. Lloyd, Mr. J. R. Coe, Mr. G. K. Garrett, Mr. H. H. McAndrew, Mr. J. G. L. Pitt, Mr. E. S. Piaraki, Mr. C. J. Ruff, Mr. J. T. Satsky, Mr. T. J. Rupp, Mrs. C. Karefinan, Mr. Chan Nom Sney, Mr. Tong Sue Lum, Mr. Joe Quay, Mr. M. Perilla, Mrs. M. Perilla, Mr. Pedro Aracian, Mr. Higinio Rimino, Mr. S. Landau, Mr. Lee Wah, Mrs. Lee Chan Shee, Mr.

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They allege that President Borno is attempting to enslave the citizens.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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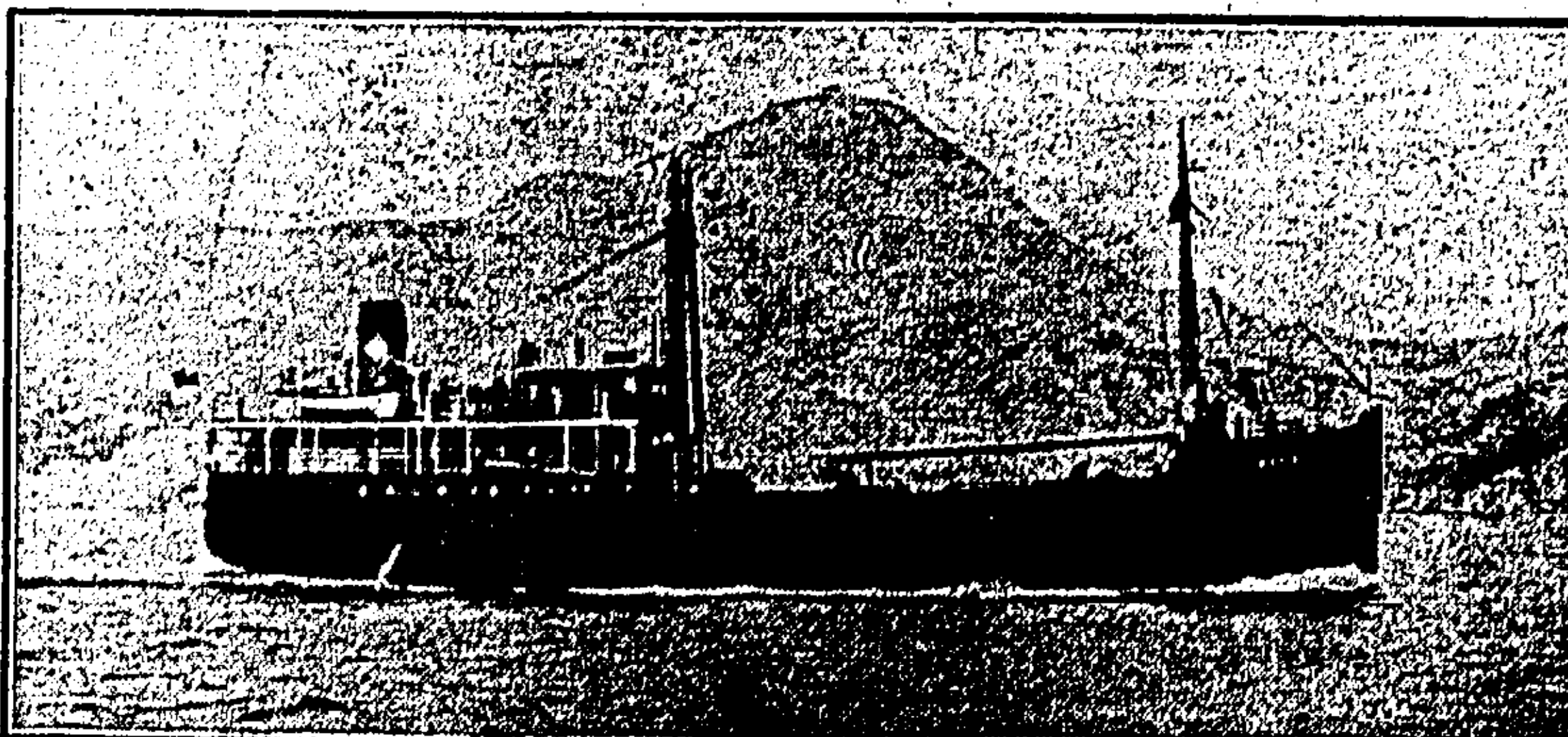
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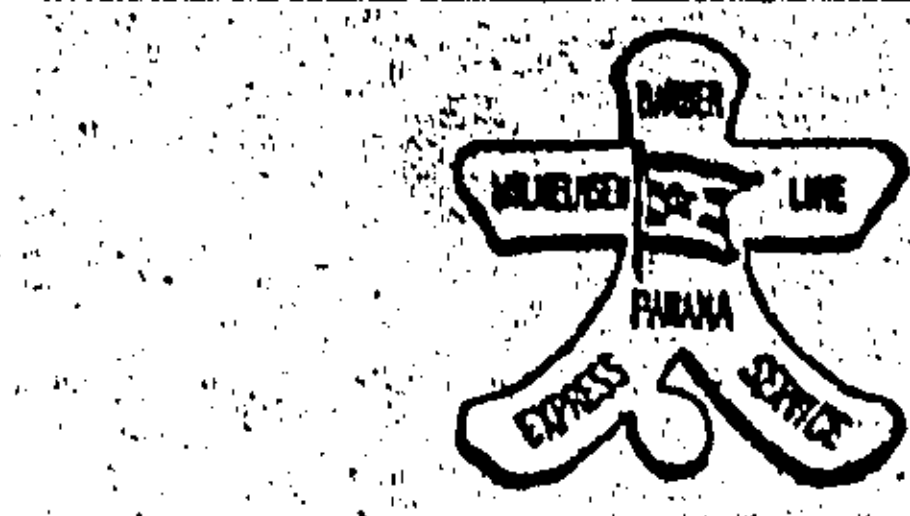
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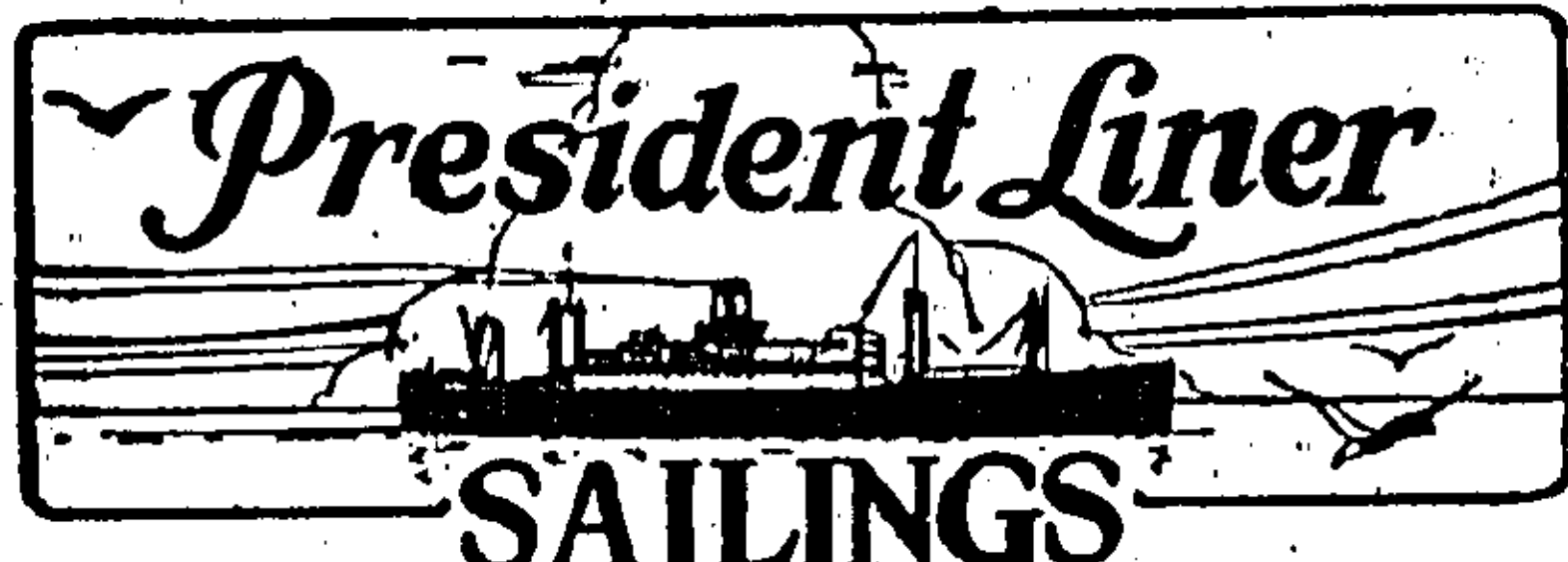
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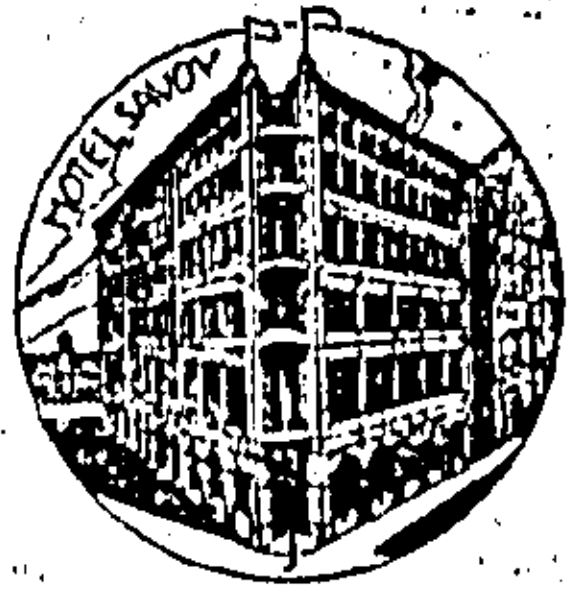
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A TREE-CUTTING PROBLEM.

ACCUSED MAN PRODUCES
A PERMIT.

CASE ADJOURNED.

In pointing out that it was difficult to decide in cases in which Chinese, who were accused of cutting trees from Government Plantations, produced permits from the Forestry Department, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, remanded a Chinese who was charged with being in possession on the Sai Kung Road of 61 cuttings of pine branches reasonably suspected of having been cut from the hill-side.

The defendant produced a permit issued to his village, but it was pointed out that the licence had expired in June, 1928. He then said that his village had paid the Government over \$30 for the right to cut trees in a certain forestry area this year.

His Worship remarked that it was a difficult question for him to decide. Permits, he pointed out, were not issued individually but to the village, and it was possible that the defendant was under the impression that the fee had been paid.

His Worship added that the prosecution should apply to the District Officer and enquire whether the defendant's village had paid the fee for the current year or not.

The case was accordingly adjourned till to-morrow.

HONGKONG FLYING CLUB.

INAUGURAL MEETING FIXED
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Considerable interest is being shown in the meeting which is to be held in the Chamber of Commerce room at the City Hall, at 4 p.m. on Friday, for the purpose of forming the Hongkong Flying Club.

H.E. the Governor is to preside, and will speak on aviation in general and on the desirability of establishing a Flying Club in the Colony.

A resolution will subsequently be moved that such a Club be formed, and, if it is approved, that certain persons mentioned in the resolution be authorised to make all the necessary arrangements.

All interested in the project are cordially invited to be present at the meeting, and those who wish to become either Flying or Associate Members will be asked at the conclusion of the meeting to hand in their names and addresses.

It is interesting to recall that in the Colony's Budget for the coming year a sum of \$60,000 is earmarked as an initial grant to the Club, this being part of a sum of \$300,000 to be allotted within five years.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

PREMIER'S LUNCHEON TO
BUSINESS LEADERS.

London, Dec. 16.

The Premier gave a luncheon party to-day to leaders of industry and political economists.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is taking the opportunity of discussing the idea of forming a National Economic Committee on similar lines to the Committee of Imperial Defence, and it understood that conversation at these gatherings is crystallising towards the object desired, but no final decision has yet been reached.

Mr. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. J. H. Thomas, Minister-in-Charge of Unemployment, accompanied the Premier.—*British Wireless.*

THE FRENCH DEBT TO AMERICA.

SECURES APPROVAL OF THE
U.S. SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 16.

The Senate, by 63 votes to 31, ratified the French War Debt settlement, which provides for the payment of \$4,025,000,000 over a period of sixty years.

The Bill, which will now go to White House, is the last of the war debt settlements arranged by the Debt Commission to be approved.

France ratified the agreement last July.—*Reuter's American Service.*

PIRACY MENACE IN SOUTH CHINA.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT
ATTITUDE.

COMMONS DISCUSS CHINA
SITUATION.

NANKING'S RECOVERY.

London, Dec. 16.

The attempted piracy of the Douglas s.s. Haiching was mentioned in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, was asked if he had made any representations to the Chinese Government regarding the increase of piracy along the China Coast.

The Foreign Secretary replied that representations had been repeatedly made in recent years and the British Minister had instructions to keep the matter before the Chinese Government with a view to their taking effective suppressive measures.

However, as far as his information showed, there had been no deterioration in the situation in recent years.

Safety of Commerce.

The problem of securing the safety of British commerce was one that was constantly kept in view. It would have been noticed, he said, that in the recent case of the attack upon the s.s. Haiching, two British warships had been instrumental in saving the vessel.

In answer to further questions, he stated that the British naval forces available for the protection of British nationals in case of

YANGTZE STEAMER'S EXPERIENCE.

Two Under Heavy Fire
Above Ichang.

Coincident with the report, appearing elsewhere, of shots being fired on H.M.S. Seamus on the West River, comes news of a recurrence of firing on merchant ships on the Yangtze.

A report received by wireless this morning states that the s.s. Iping and the s.s. Iling, of the Yangtze Rapids Company, were under heavy fire 46 miles above Ichang on Saturday.

The report makes no mention of the damage suffered by the vessels.

danger were five cruisers, one aircraft carrier, eight destroyers, five sloops and eighteen gunboats.

The available military forces consisted of three battalions at Hongkong and two at Tientsin, with small detachments at Peking and Weihaiwei.

Comparative Strengths.

The other foreign Powers had an aggregate naval strength in Chinese waters which was approximately the same, and about eight thousand troops, mainly at Tientsin and Shanghai.

Mr. J. S. Wardlaw Milne (Con., Kidderminster) asked whether Japan was included among the other Powers mentioned.

Mr. Henderson asked for notice of that question.

Mr. Charles Williams (Con., Torquay) asked if Mr. Henderson meant that the whole of the British naval forces in China were at least as great as the whole of the remaining foreign forces put together, including Japan.

Mr. Henderson replied: "I think I was dealing with a comparison of the military forces."

Political Situation.

Asked regarding the general political situation in China arising from the new rebellion against Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's regime, the Foreign Secretary said that the situation at Nanking and Shanghai appeared to be quiet, except for minor trouble along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

No serious fighting had taken place on the Pukow front, and troops were being sent back to Hankow, on which Tang Seng-chi had threatened to converge.

Hankow was not disturbed at the moment, and Tsinanfu, Peking, Tientsin, Chinkiang and Manchuria all seemed normal.

Mr. Peter MacDonald (Con., Isle of Wight) asked if the rising was due to Soviet propaganda.

Mr. Henderson said he had no information. According to a Press report a Sino-Soviet agreement had been reached locally on the immediate issues in Manchuria, but

ILLCIT DRUG RING BROKEN UP.

CLUE IN EGYPT LEADS TO
DISCOVERY.

HUGE ORGANISATION.

Cairo, Dec. 16.

The discovery of a large quantity of heroin derivative in a consignment of building material from Bale, Switzerland, provided the Egyptian authorities with the clue which resulted in the unearthing of a widespread organisation for the smuggling of dangerous drugs to Egypt and the Far East from Europe.

The co-operation of the Egyptian, Swiss and Italian authorities has led to the breaking up of the gang.

Many arrests have been made, implicating various persons at Lugano, Milan, Genoa and Strassbourg, including a certain Doctor Muller, of Bale, whose books, seized during the recent raid, showed extensive dealings in drugs, including "ester" of morphine.

"Ester" of morphine is not, at present, classified in Swiss law as a narcotic, but as a result of the present episode it is hoped shortly to treat it as such.

The organisation was found to have its headquarters at Bale. The police raided the premises a few days ago as the result of information from Cairo, and three arrests were made. Drugs seized on the premises, a laboratory, were valued at £40,000.—*Reuter.*

NATIONAL SAFETY QUERY.

CONFERENCE MAY REVEAL
THE TRUE MARGIN.

PREMIER'S REMARK.

London, Dec. 16.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. W. H. Ayles (Labourite) asked the Premier whether Britain had commitments to the League of Nations or the British Empire which prevented the House of Commons itself from coming to any conclusion it desired regarding disarmament.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald replied that Article 8 of the Covenant of the League of Nations enjoined on all member States, and consequently on the British Government, the reduction of their armaments to the lowest point consistent with national safety and the enforcement by common action of international obligations.

Another article of the Covenant, said the Premier, imposed obligations to join in action for the common enforcement of certain undertakings. Britain's commitments as regarded the British Empire were dictated by needs of self-defence.

Mr. Ayles asked whether the Government believed there was still a margin so far as our own armaments were concerned that we could reduce down to what the Prime Minister had said was the level of national safety, and, if not why, should we go into the Disarmament Conference?

The Premier replied: "It is because may be that margin can be discovered only by international agreement that we are going into that Conference."—*British Wireless.*

AFRICAN HOLIDAY CLASH.

NATIVES WOUNDED BY
EUROPEANS.

Capetown, Dec. 16.

Three natives were wounded, one seriously, at Potchefstroom when Europeans were alleged to have fired revolvers at natives during a Communist meeting in connexion with Dingaan's Day.

Dingaan's Day celebrations were otherwise peaceful. Demonstrators in Capetown burned effigies of General Smuts and Mrs. Hertzog.—*Reuter.*

Dingaan's Day is an annual holiday, being the anniversary of the defeat of the powerful native chief, Dingaan, by the Boers in 1838.

he had no official information in confirmation.

Cantonese Victory.

In answer to further questions, Mr. Henderson said as far as his information went, the forces opposed to the Nanking Government in China had been decisively defeated near Canton. Chang Fak-wei's Ironsides had been defeated to the north of Canton and the Kwangsi army on the West River had also been repulsed.

The anti-Nanking forces had made no further progress on any of the other main lines of attack.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*



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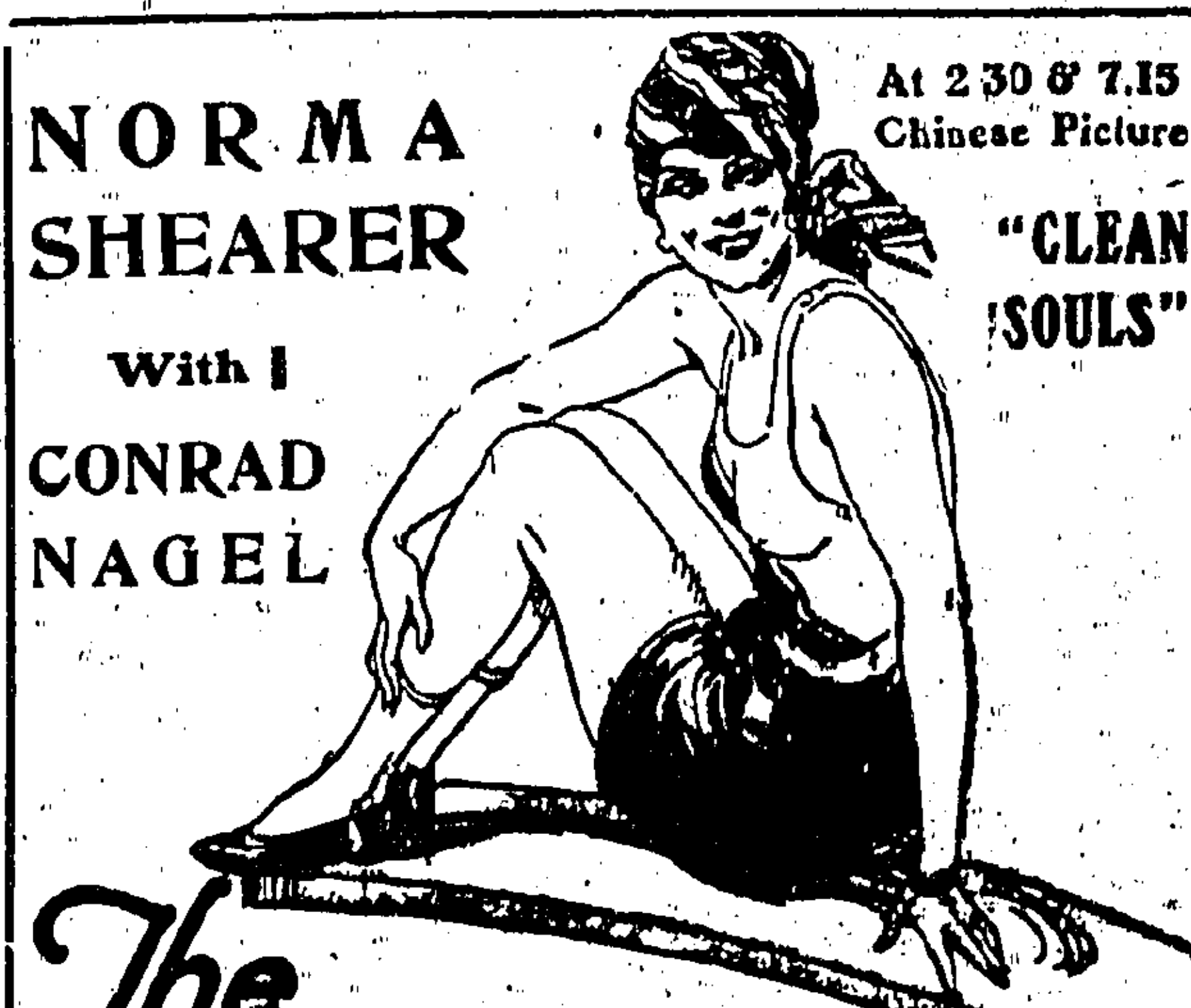
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